

# Building and Breaking Lattice-Based Post-Quantum Cryptosystem Hardware

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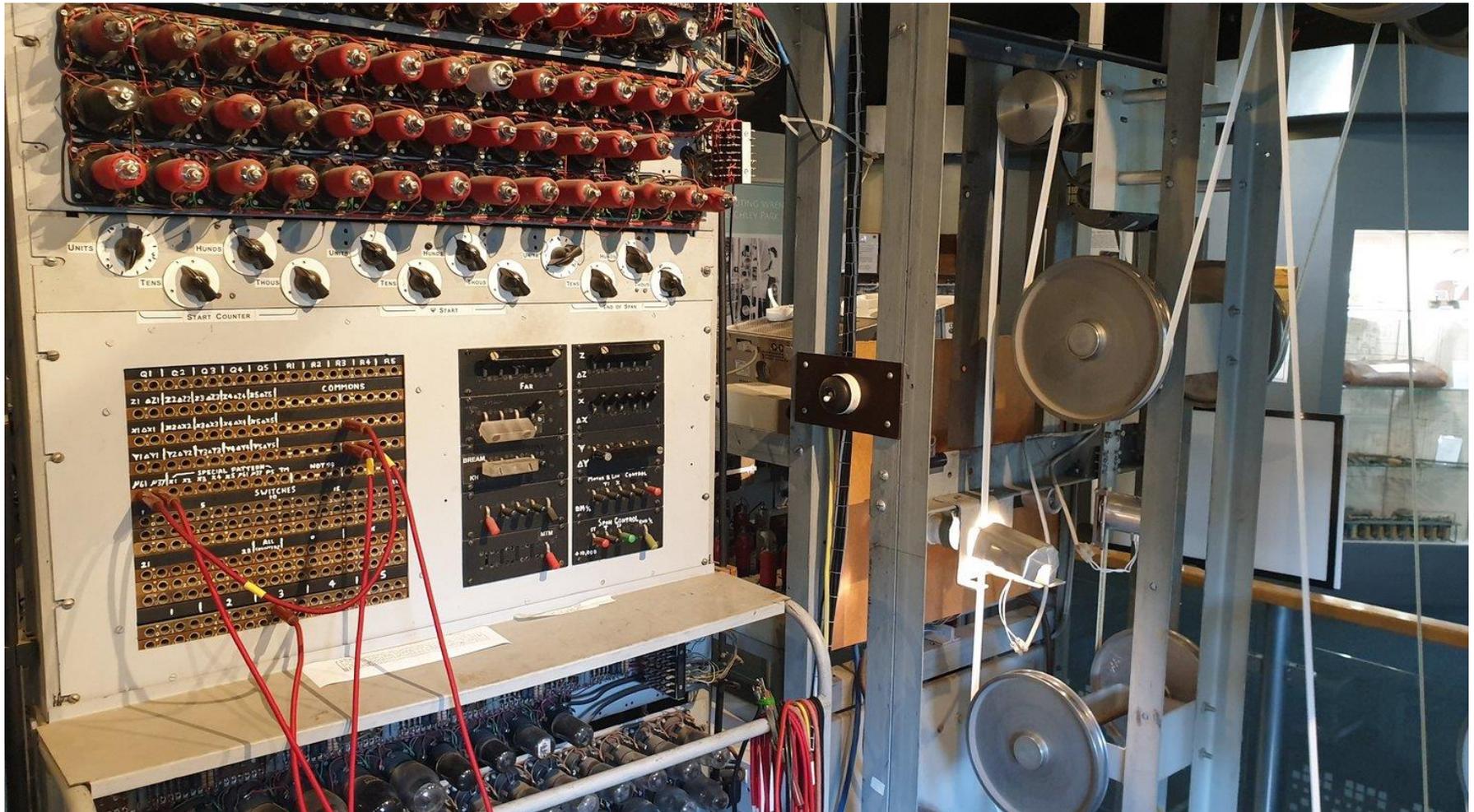
## Cybersecurity with a *hardware* focus

- Hardware acceleration for next-generation cryptography  
[DATE'20][TC'20][FPL'20][ICCAD'20][ESL'19][TC'15][TECS'15][ESL'14] [HOST'13]
- Hardware building blocks to combat supply-chain attacks  
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- Mitigating hardware theft of untrusted foundries  
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- Implementation security: side-channel and fault attacks  
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- Training a cyber-aware STEM workforce  
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# Why Quantum Computing?

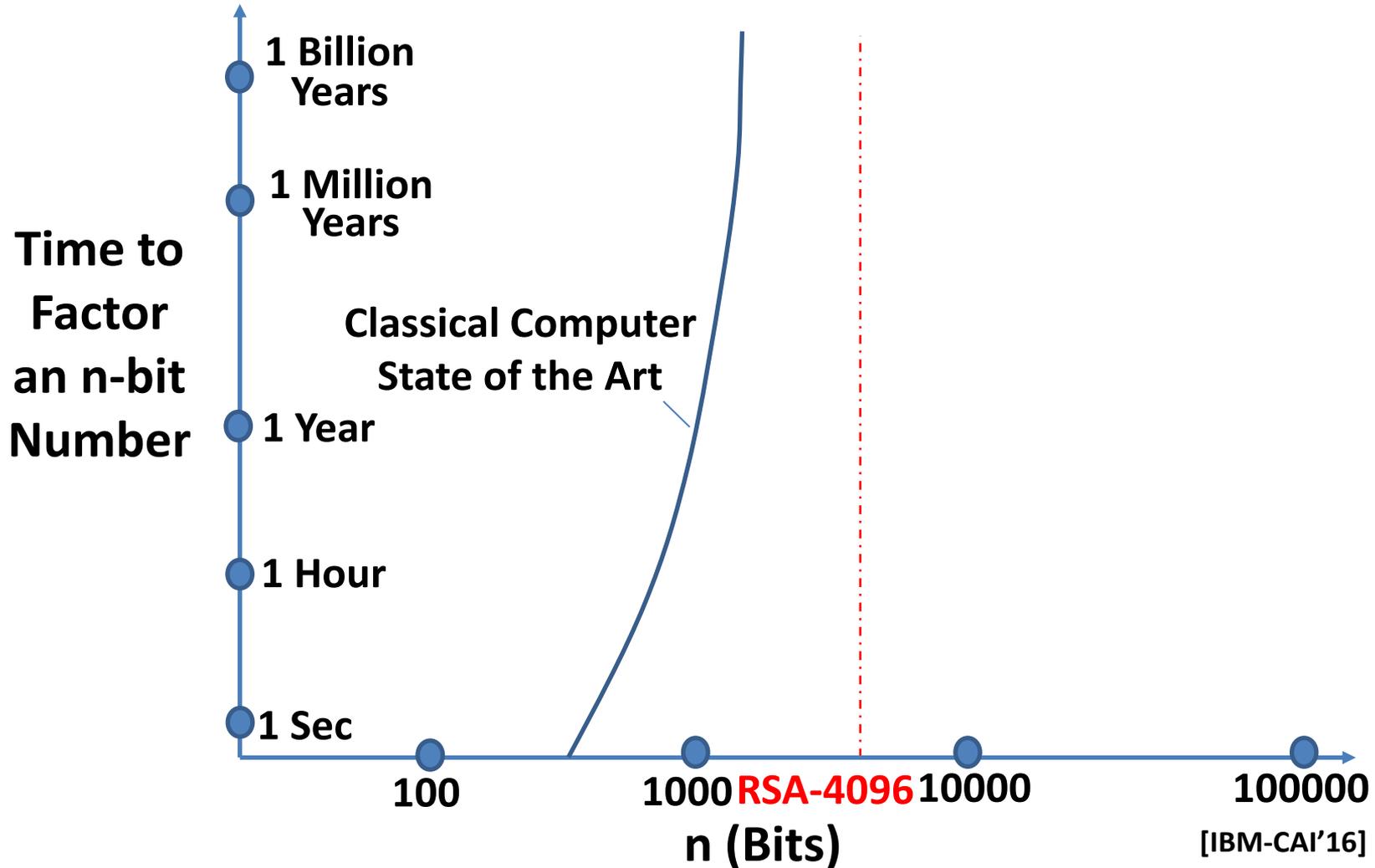
- Better predicting tomorrow's weather?
- Efficient simulation of chemical reactions?
- Finding new electronic materials?
- Optimize traffic, logic simulations, or ticket prices?
- ...

# Know This Machine?



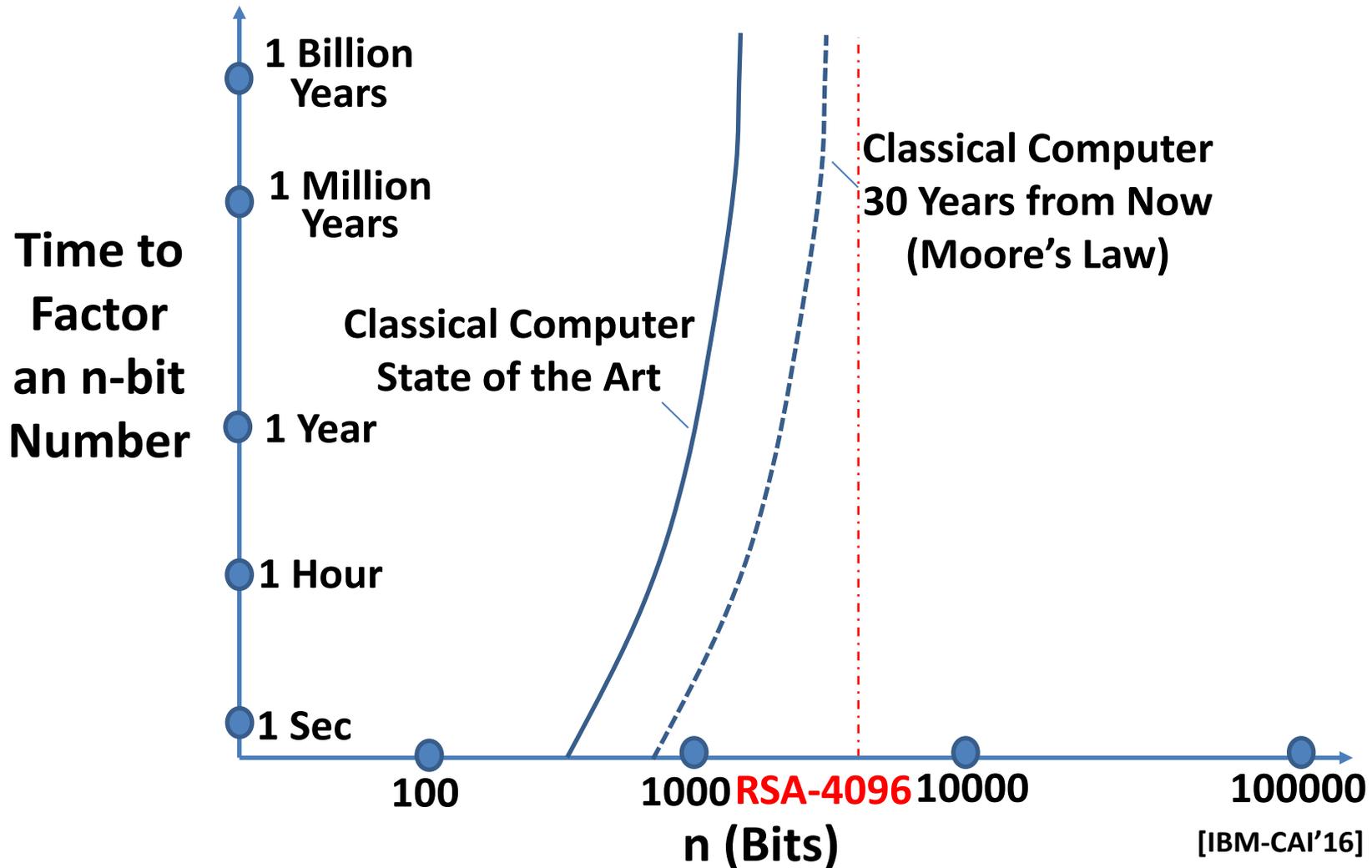
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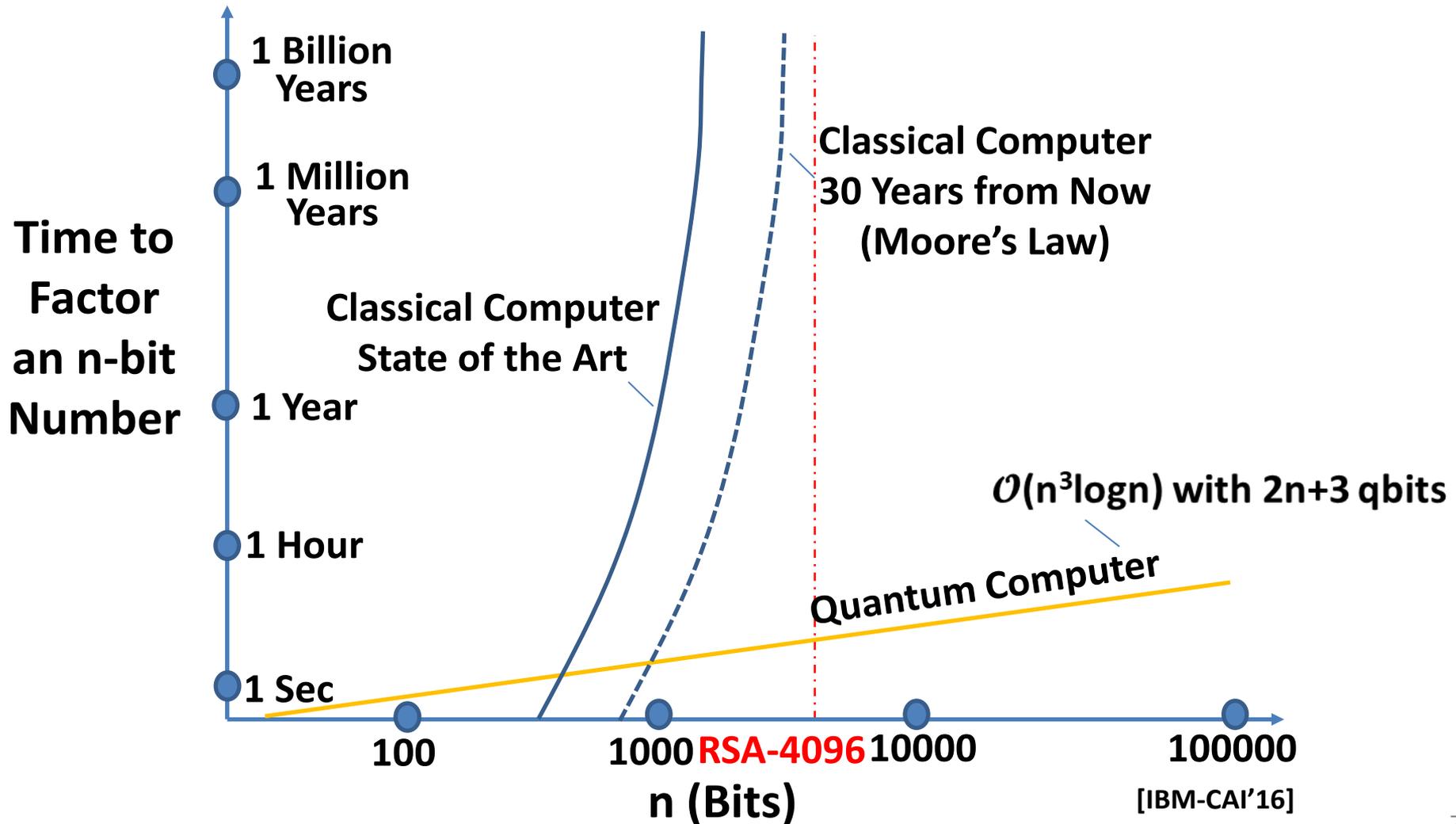
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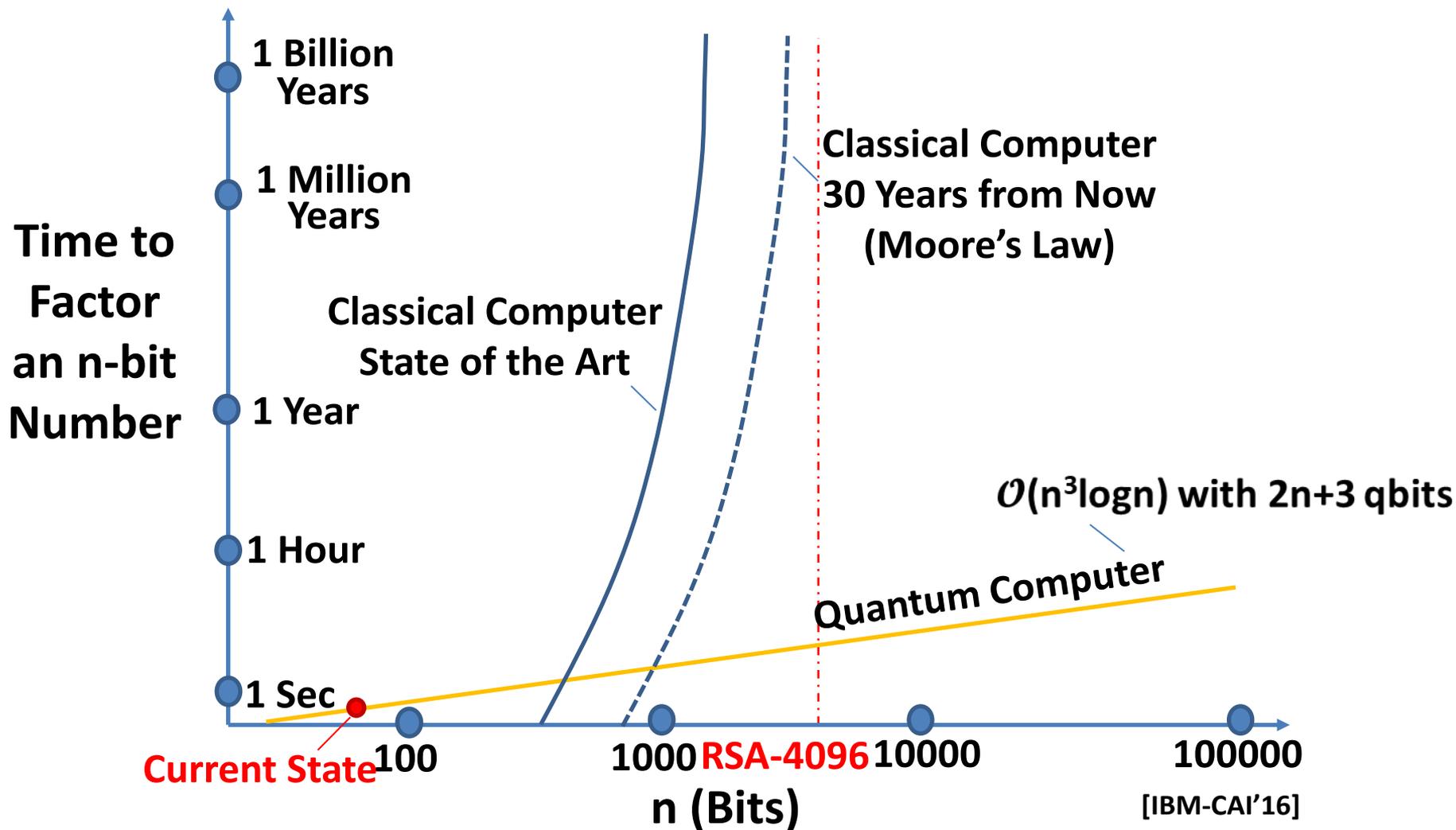
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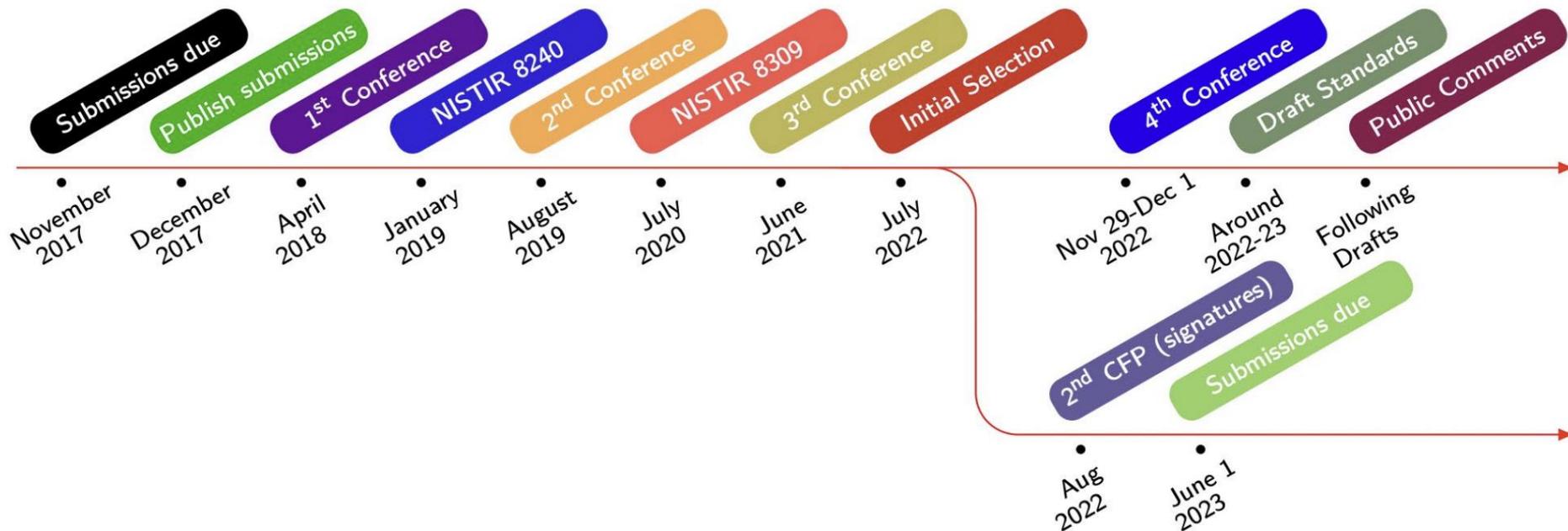


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# Emergence of Post-Quantum Cryptography

- NIST's PQ standardization effort (2017–2024)
- Some industry/government adoptions already occurred

## TIMELINE



# Emergence of Post-Quantum Cryptography

- Key Encapsulation Mechanisms
  - **CRYSTALS-KYBER**
- Digital Signatures
  - **CRYSTALS-DILITHIUM**
  - **FALCON**
  - SPHINCS+
- Alternates:
  - **FrodoKEM, NTRU, NTRU Prime, SABER, ...**

# Moving to Quantum-Secure Cryptography



SECURITY GUIDANCE

## Migration to Post-Quantum Cryptography

The advent of quantum computing technology will compromise many of the current cryptographic algorithms, especially public-key cryptography, which is widely used to protect digital information. Most algorithms on which we depend are used worldwide in components of many different communications, processing, and storage systems. Once access to practical quantum computers becomes available, all public-key algorithms and associated protocols will be vulnerable to criminals, competitors, and other adversaries. It is critical to begin planning for the replacement of hardware, software, and services that use public-key algorithms now so that information is protected from future attacks.

Source: <https://www.nccoe.nist.gov/>

### Collaborating Vendors

- [Amazon Web Services, Inc. \(AWS\)](#)
- [Cisco Systems, Inc.](#)
- [Crypto4A Technologies, Inc.](#)
- [CryptoNext Security](#)
- [Dell Technologies](#)
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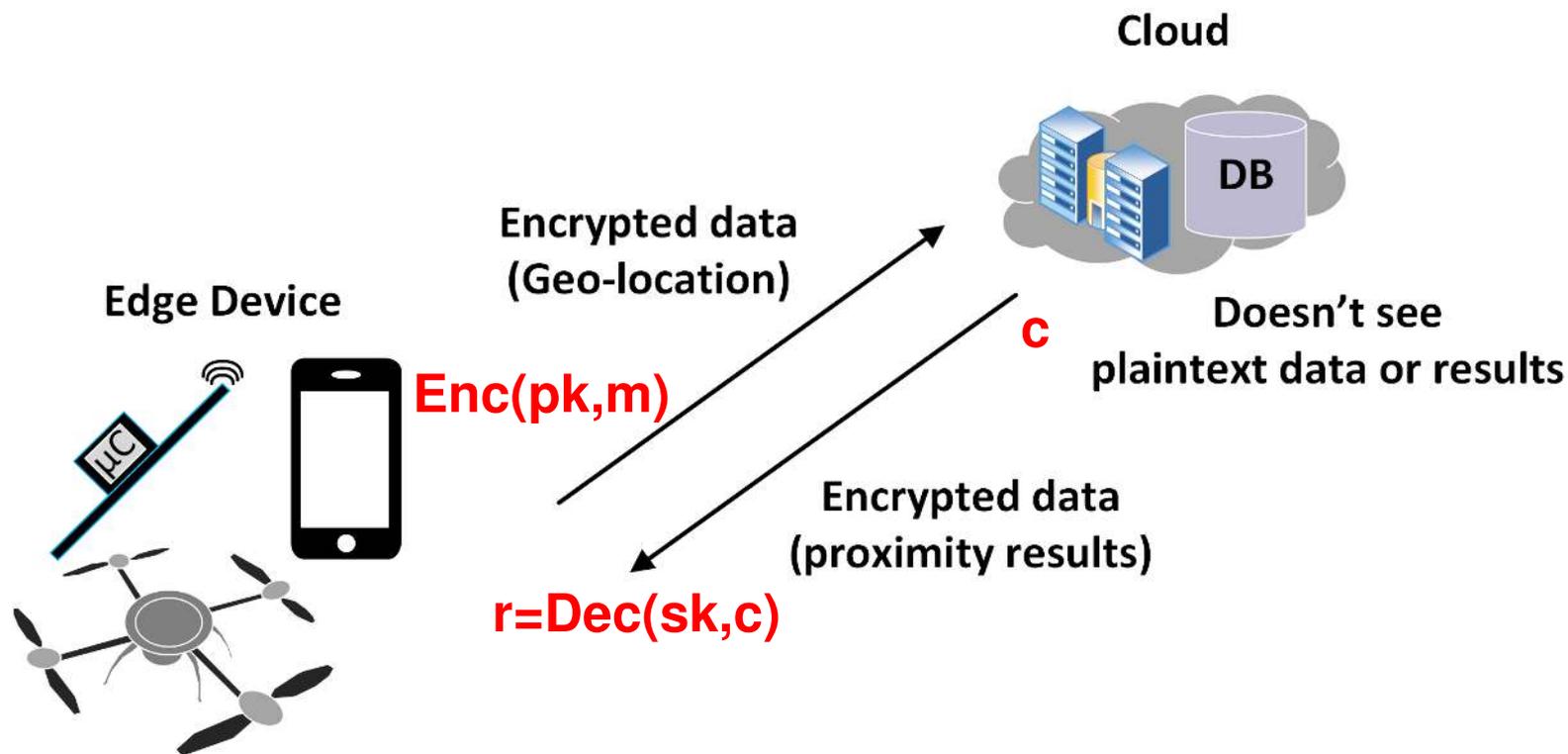
# Category of Post-Quantum Cryptosystems

Category	Security Assumption	Features
Code-based cryptography	<b>Decoding general linear codes</b>	Large keys, complex operations
Hash-based cryptography	<b>One-way hash functions</b>	Large keys, limited applications
Lattice-based cryptography	<b>Lattice problems</b>	Small keys, efficient arithmetic,

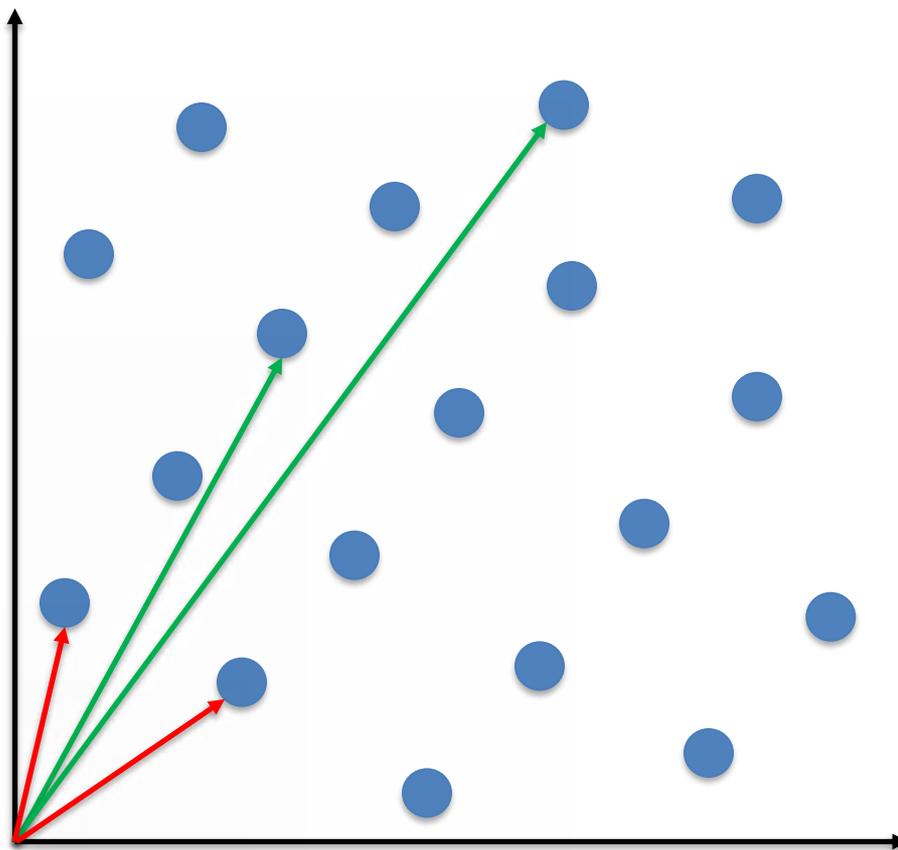
3 out of the 4 upcoming NIST standards use lattice cryptography

# Lattices Have Other Uses...

Homomorphic encryption allows computing on encrypted data without knowing the secret key or underlying plaintext



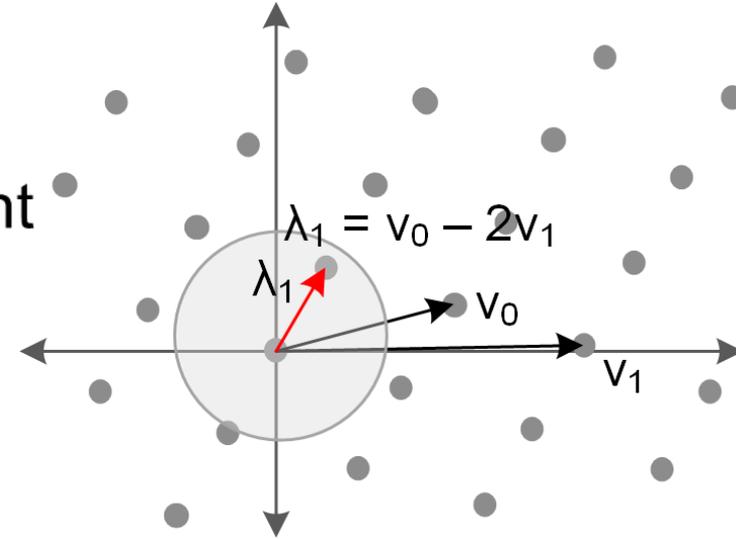
# Security of Lattice-Based Cryptography



Given a **bad basis**, can you find a **good one**?

# Lattice-based Cryptography

- A Lattice is a set of points  
 $L = \{a_1 v_1 + \dots + a_n v_n \mid a_i \text{ integers}\}$   
 with  $v_1, \dots, v_n$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  linearly independent

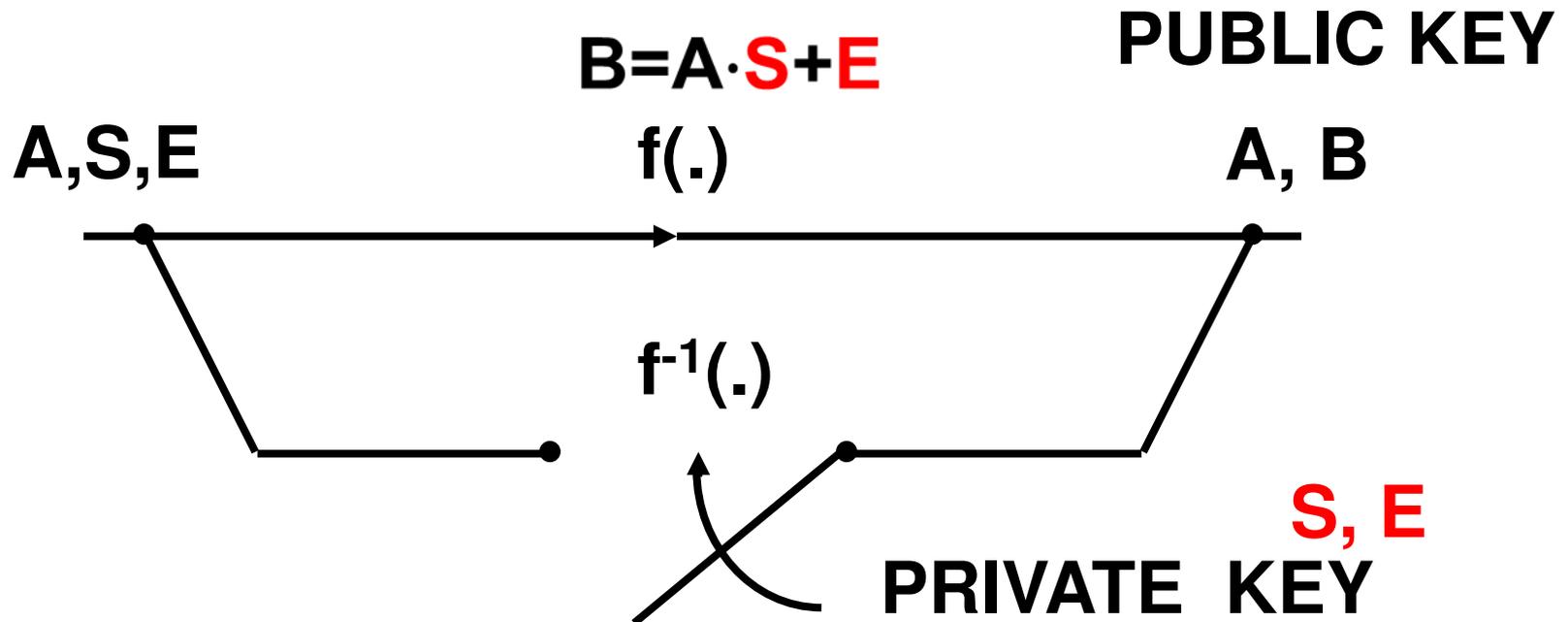


- Approximate Shortest Vector Problem (SVP):  
 Given basis  $v_0, v_1$  find a short vector  $\lambda_1$
- NP-Hard [Ajtai'96]
- Lattice basis reduction attack complexities
  - Classical:  $2^{2n+o(n)}$  [MV'10]
  - Quantum:  $2^{1.799n+o(n)}$  [LMP'13]

# Trap-door one-way function

Learning With Errors:

$B = A \cdot S + E$ , PUBLIC KEY =  $B$  and  $A$ , SECRET KEY =  $S$



Works with matrices and polynomials

# Fundamental Computations in Lattice-Based Cryptography

Matrix Multiplication

$$\begin{array}{|c|c|c|c|} \hline \mathbf{A} & & & \\ \hline 2 & 13 & 7 & 3 \\ \hline 4 & 7 & 9 & 1 \\ \hline 6 & 14 & 5 & 11 \\ \hline \end{array} \cdot \begin{array}{|c|} \hline \mathbf{S} \\ \hline 8 \\ \hline 3 \\ \hline 12 \\ \hline 5 \\ \hline \end{array} + \begin{array}{|c|} \hline \mathbf{E} \\ \hline 1 \\ \hline -1 \\ \hline 2 \\ \hline \end{array} = \begin{array}{|c|} \hline \mathbf{B} \\ \hline 13 \\ \hline 12 \\ \hline 3 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

Polynomial Multiplication

$$\begin{array}{|c|} \hline \mathbf{a} \\ \hline 2 \\ \hline 13 \\ \hline 7 \\ \hline 3 \\ \hline \end{array} * \begin{array}{|c|} \hline \mathbf{s} \\ \hline 8 \\ \hline 3 \\ \hline 12 \\ \hline 5 \\ \hline \end{array} + \begin{array}{|c|} \hline \mathbf{e} \\ \hline 1 \\ \hline -1 \\ \hline 2 \\ \hline -1 \\ \hline \end{array} = \begin{array}{|c|} \hline \mathbf{b} \\ \hline 8 \\ \hline 1 \\ \hline 16 \\ \hline 6 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

Elements are defined over Galois Field (modular arithmetic with primes)  
 Random sampling may require “discrete Gaussian” distributions

# FALCON Specification – What to Implement?

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Algorithm 5 **NTRUGen**( $\phi, q$ )

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Require: A monic polynomial  $\phi \in \mathbb{Z}[x]$  of degree  $n$ , a modulus  $q$

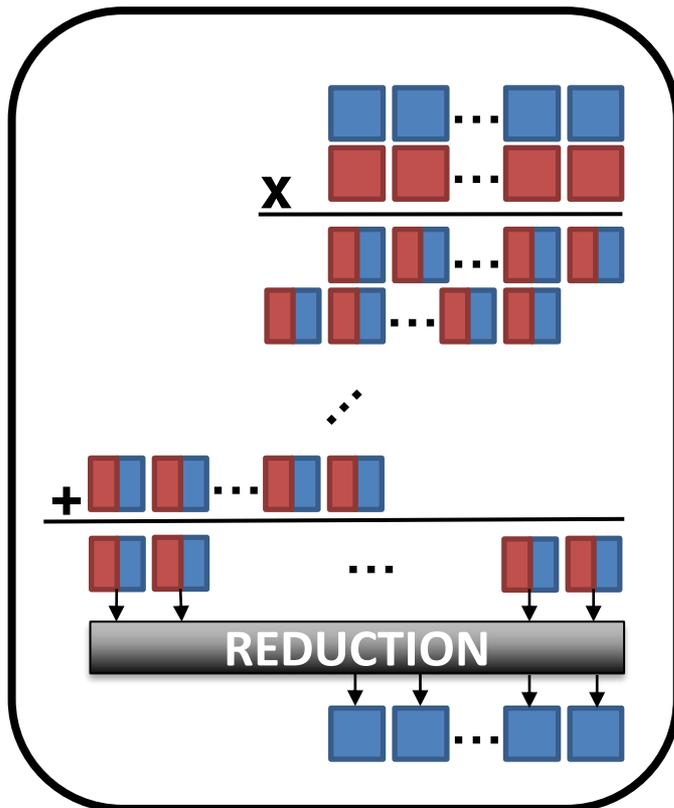
Ensure: Polynomials  $f, g, F, G$

- 1:  $\sigma_{\{f,g\}} \leftarrow 1.17\sqrt{q/2n}$  ▷  $\sigma_{\{f,g\}}$  is chosen so that  $\mathbb{E}[\|(f, g)\|] = 1.17\sqrt{q}$
  - 2: for  $i$  from 0 to  $n - 1$  do
  - 3:      $f_i \leftarrow D_{\mathbb{Z}, \sigma_{\{f,g\}}, 0}$  ▷ See also (3.29)
  - 4:      $g_i \leftarrow D_{\mathbb{Z}, \sigma_{\{f,g\}}, 0}$
  - 5:  $f \leftarrow \sum_i f_i x^i$  ▷  $f \in \mathbb{Z}[x]/(\phi)$
  - 6:  $g \leftarrow \sum_i g_i x^i$  ▷  $g \in \mathbb{Z}[x]/(\phi)$
  - 7: if **NTT**( $f$ ) contains 0 as a coefficient then ▷ Check that  $f$  is invertible mod  $q$
  - 8:     restart
  - 9:  $\gamma \leftarrow \max \left\{ \|(g, -f)\|, \left\| \left( \frac{qf^*}{ff^*+gg^*}, \frac{qg^*}{ff^*+gg^*} \right) \right\| \right\}$  ▷ Using (3.9) with (3.8) or (3.10)
  - 10: if  $\gamma > 1.17\sqrt{q}$  then ▷ Check that  $\gamma = \|\mathbf{B}\|_{\text{GS}}$  is short
  - 11:     restart
  - 12:  $F, G \leftarrow \text{NTRUSolve}_{n,q}(f, g)$  ▷ Computing  $F, G$  such that  $fG - gF = q \pmod{\phi}$
  - 13: if  $(F, G) = \perp$  then
  - 14:     restart
  - 15: return  $f, g, F, G$
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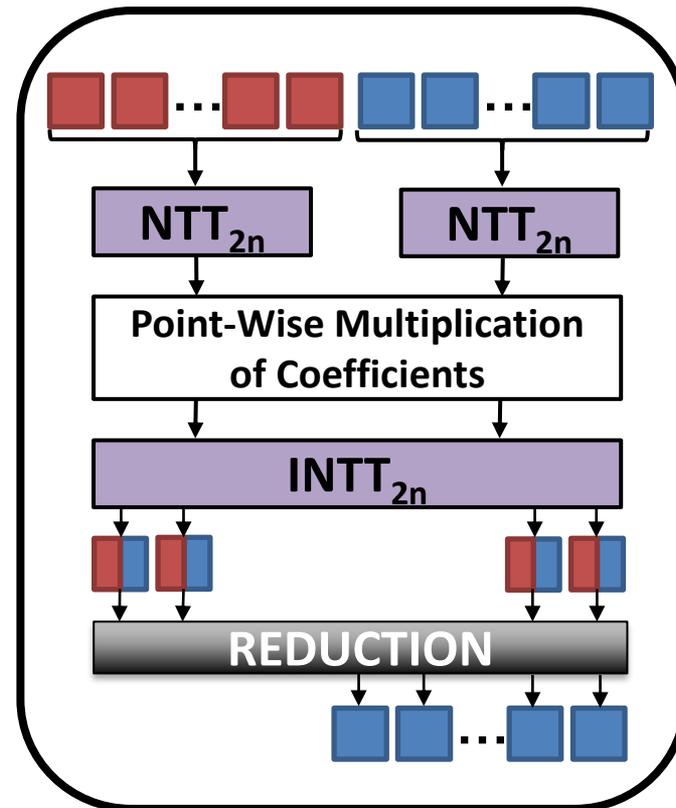
# New IPs Needed for Lattice-Based Cryptography

- Building blocks for discrete Gaussian sampling
- Building blocks for Number Theoretic Transform
- Full system design working with new building blocks
- System-level trade-offs
- Optimizations for edge computers to cloud
- New custom instructions for ISA
- Implementation security!
- Hybrid designs

# Number Theoretic Transform



Schoolbook Method



NTT-based Method

Reduces multiplication complexity from  $O(n^2)$  to  $O(n \cdot \log n)$

# Number Theoretic Transform

## Iterative NTT Algorithm

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**Algorithm 2** Iterative NTT Algorithm [14]

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**Input:**  $A(x) \in \mathbb{Z}_q[x]/(x^n + 1)$

**Input:** primitive  $n$ -th root of unity  $\omega \in \mathbb{Z}_q$ ,  $n = 2^l$

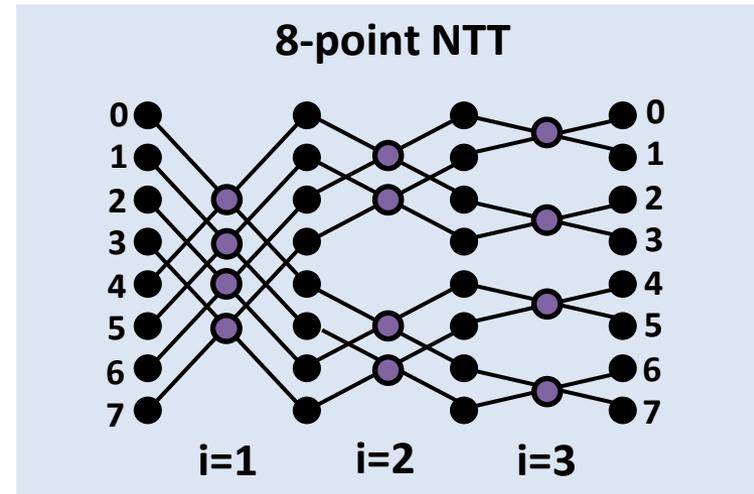
**Output:**  $\bar{A}(x) = \text{NTT}(A) \in \mathbb{Z}_q[x]/(x^n + 1)$

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1: for  $i$  from 1 by 1 to  $l$  do
2:    $m = 2^{l-i}$ 
3:   for  $j$  from 0 by 1 to  $2^{i-1} - 1$  do
4:     for  $k$  from 0 by 1 to  $m - 1$  do
5:        $U \leftarrow A[2 \cdot j \cdot m + k]$ 
6:        $V \leftarrow A[2 \cdot j \cdot m + k + m]$ 
7:        $A[2 \cdot j \cdot m + k] \leftarrow U + V$ 
8:        $A[2 \cdot j \cdot m + k + m] \leftarrow \omega^{(2^{i-1} \cdot k)} \cdot (U - V)$ 
9:     end for
10:  end for
11: end for
12: return  $A$ 

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**Read**  
**Butterfly**  
**Write**



- $N$ -point NTT operation has  $\log_2 n$  stages
- At each stage,  $n/2$  butterfly operation is performed
- Single NTT operation can be parallelized using multiple butterfly units

# Number Theoretic Transform

**Algorithm 3** Word-Level Montgomery Reduction Algorithm for NTT-friendly primes

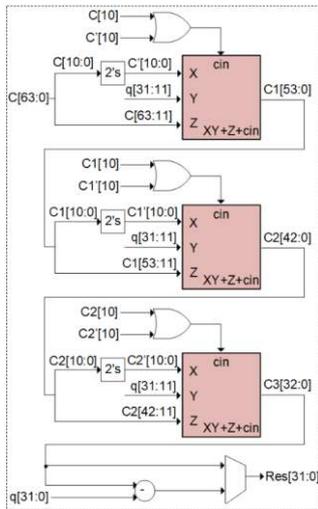
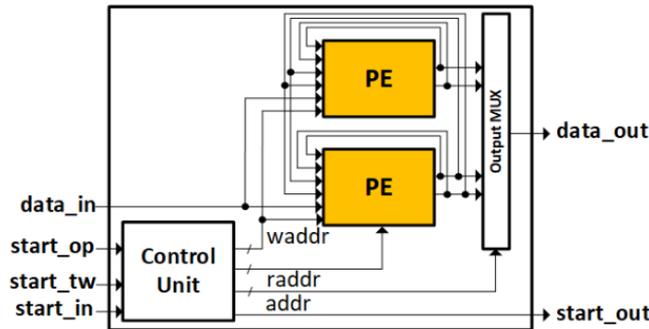
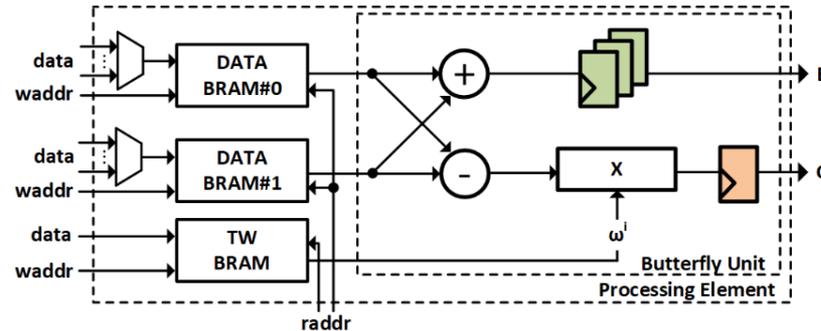
**Input:**  $C = A \cdot B$  (a  $2K$ -bit positive integer)

**Input:**  $q$  (a  $K$ -bit modulus),  $q = q_H \cdot 2^w + 1$

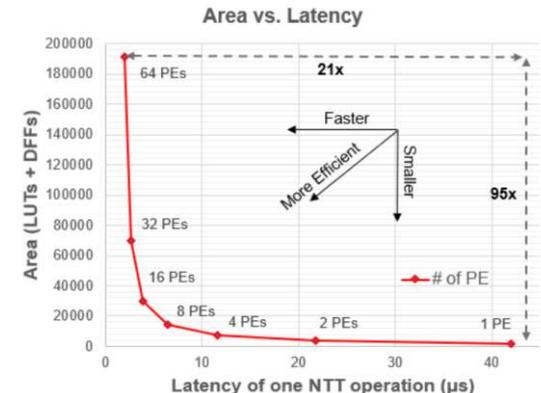
**Input:**  $w = \log_2(2n)$  (word size)

**Output:**  $Res = C \cdot R^{-1} \pmod{q}$  where  $R = 2^{w \times L} \pmod{q}$

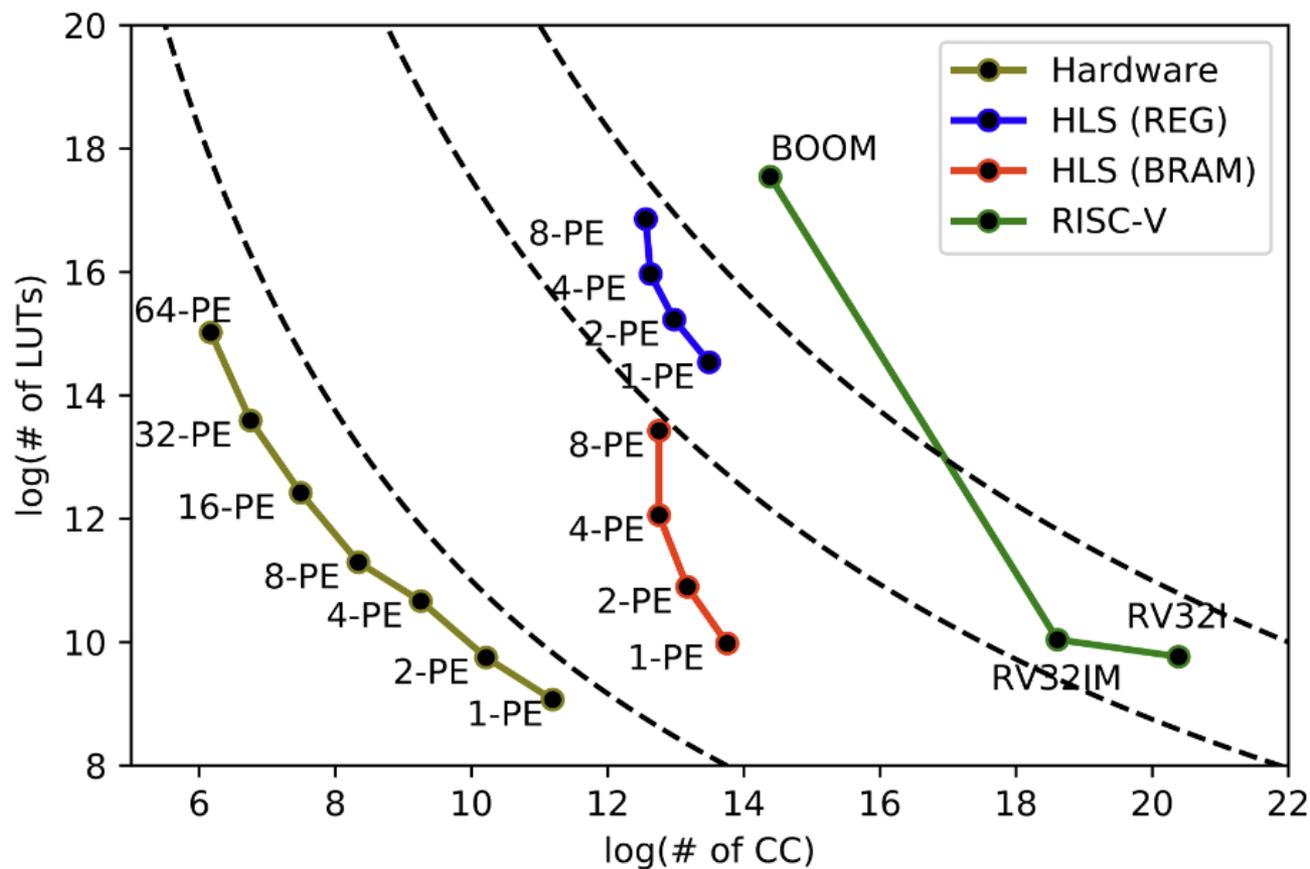
- 1:  $L = \lceil \frac{K}{w} \rceil$
- 2:  $T1 = C$
- 3: **for**  $i$  from 0 to  $L$  **do**
- 4:      $T1_H = T1 \gg w$
- 5:      $T1_L = T1 \pmod{2^w}$
- 6:      $T2 = \text{two's complement of } T1_L$
- 7:      $cin = T2[w-1] \vee T1_L[w-1]$
- 8:      $T1 = T1_H + (q_H \cdot T2[w-1:0]) + cin$
- 9: **end for**
- 10:  $T4 = T1 - q$
- 11: **if**  $(T4 < 0)$  **then**  $Res = T1$  **else**  $Res = T4$



	0	1	2	3	4	5	0	1	2	3	4	5	0	1	2	3	4	5	
BRAM#0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0x1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
0x2	2	2	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
0x3	3	3	3	3	5	5	5	5	5	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6
BRAM#1	4	4	2	2	2	2	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
0x1	5	5	5	5	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
0x2	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5
0x3	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7



# Number Theoretic Transform Results



# Number Theoretic Transform Results

Met.	Work	Platform	$n$	$K$	LUT / REG / DSP / BRAM	Clock (MHz)	Latency	
							CC	$\mu s$
Hardware	[20] <sup>a</sup>	Spartan-6	256	17	250 / - / 3 / 2	-	-	25
			512		240 / - / 3 / 2		-	50
			1024		250 / - / 3 / 2		-	100
	[21] <sup>a,b</sup>	Virtex-6	256	13	4549 / 3624 / 1 / 12	262	-	8
	[22] <sup>b</sup>	Zynq US	4096	30	64K / - / 200 / 400	225	-	73
	[23] <sup>b</sup>	Virtex-7	32768	32	219K / - / 768 / 193	250	7709	51
	[24] <sup>b</sup>	Spartan-6	1024	32	1208 / - / 14 / 14	212	-	12
		Virtex-7			34K / 16K / 476 / 228		200	80
	[18] <sup>b</sup>	Virtex-7	1024	32	67K / - / 599 / 129	200	140	0.7
					77K / - / 952 / 325.5		80	0.4
	[25] <sup>c</sup>	Virtex-6	256	13	1349 / 860 / 1 / 2	313	1691	5.4
			512	14	1536 / 953 / 1 / 3	278	3443	12.3
	[11] <sup>c</sup>	40nm CMOS	256	13	106K / - / - / -	72	1289	17
			512	14			2826	32
			1024	14			6155	81
	[26] <sup>c</sup>	40nm CMOS	256	13	- / - / - / -	300	160	0.5
			512	14	- / - / - / -		492	1.6
	[27] <sup>c</sup>	UMC 65nm	256	13	14K / - / - / -	25	2056	82
			512	14			4616	184
			1024	14			10248	409
[28] <sup>a,b</sup>	Artix-7	1024	14	4823 / 2901 / 8 / -	153	1280	-	
[29] <sup>b</sup>	Virtex-7	16384	32	2.81K / 1.25K / 39 / 80	168	28672	-	
		32768	32	2.86K / 1.27K / 39 / 160	166	61440	-	
[30] <sup>b</sup>	Virtex-6	65536	30	72K / 63K / 250 / 84	100	47795	-	
TW-1 PE	Virtex-7	1024	14	575 / - / 3 / 11	125	5160	41.2	
		4096	60	2720 / - / 31 / 180		24708	197.6	
TW-8 PE	Virtex-7	1024	14	2584 / - / 24 / 16	125	680	5.4	
		4096	60	23215 / - / 248 / 176		3276	26.2	
TW-32 PE	Virtex-7	1024	14	17188 / - / 96 / 48	125	200	1.6	
		4096	60	99384 / - / 992 / 176		972	7.7	

# High Precision Discrete Gaussian Sampling

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{x-\mu}{\sigma}\right)^2}$$

$p=0.241970724519143349\dots$   
 $0.241970724519143348$   
 $2^{128} \rightarrow 2^{56}$

... -1 0 1 ... 8

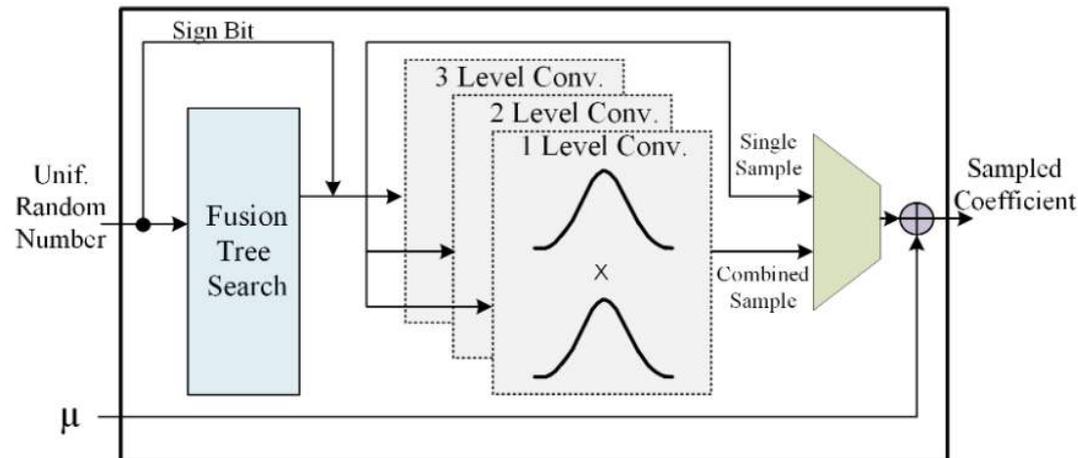
Sampling precision impacts cryptographic security level

# High Precision Discrete Gaussian Sampling

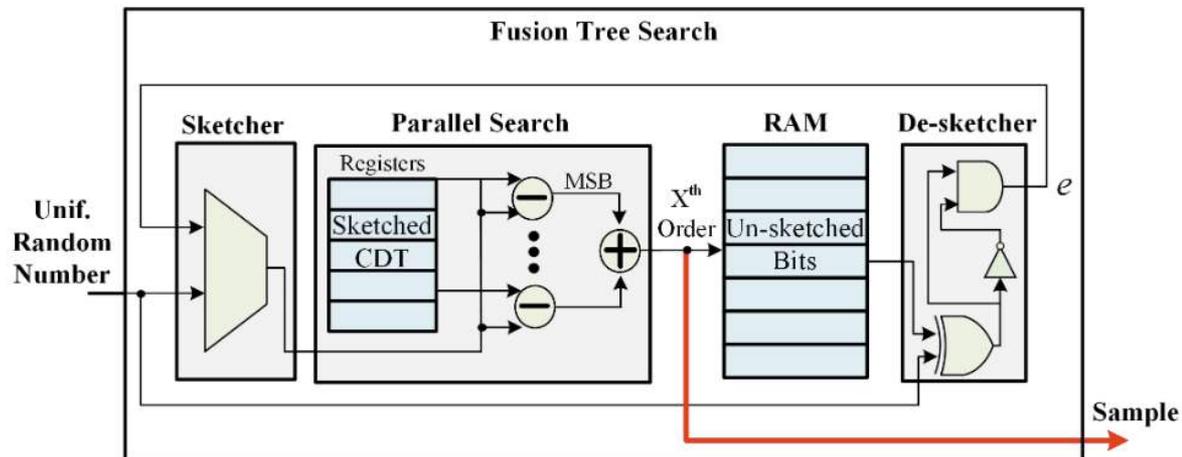
Sampler	Speed	FP exp()	Table Size	Table Lookup	Entropy	Features
Rejection	slow	10	0	0	$45+10\log_2\sigma$	Suitable for constrained devices
Ziggurat	flexible	flexible	flexible	flexible	flexible	Suitable for encryption requires high-precision FP arithmetic; not suitable for HW implementation
CDT	fast	0	$\sigma\tau\lambda$	$\log_2(\tau\sigma)$	$2.1+\log_2\sigma$	Suitable for digital signature easy to implement
Knuth-Yao	fastest	0	$1/2\sigma\tau\lambda$	$\log_2(\sqrt{2\pi e}\sigma)$	$2.1+\log_2\sigma$	Not suitable for digital signature
Bernoulli	fast	0	$\lambda\log_2(2.4\tau\sigma^2)$	$\approx \log_2\sigma$	$\approx 6 + 3\log_2\sigma$	Suitable for all schemes
Binomial	fast	0	0	0	$4\sigma^2$	Not suitable for digital signature

Many algorithmic options for implementing Gaussian sampling

# High Precision Discrete Gaussian Sampling

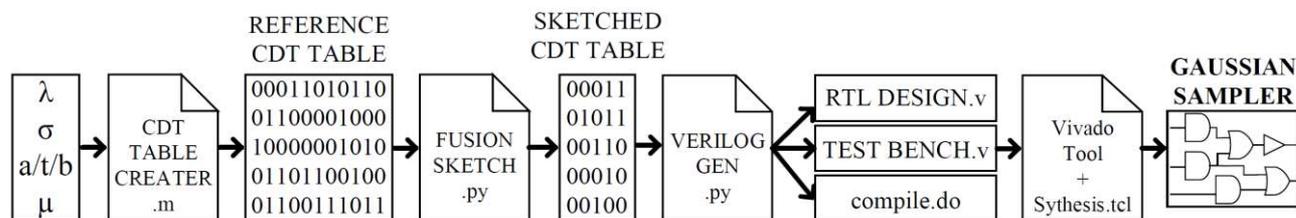


(a) The Proposed Gaussian Sampler Hardware's Top Level Block Diagram



(b) Fusion Tree Search's Block Diagram

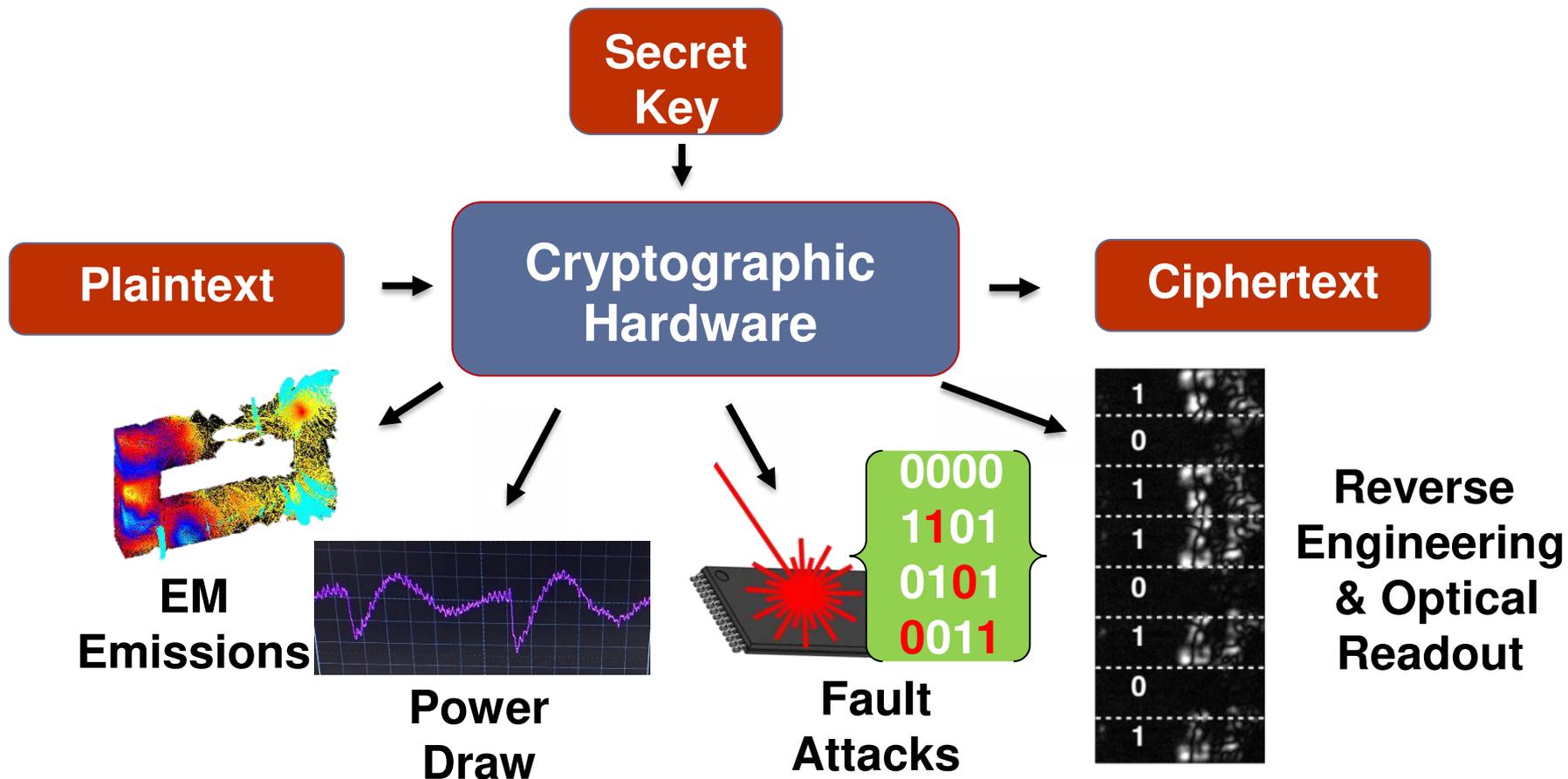
# Results and Comparison



Work	Supported Algorithms	$\sigma/\lambda/Depth$	Platform	Slice/LUTs/FFs/BRAM	$F_{Max}$ (MHz)	Cyc Cnt	Area-Delay
HW [15]	qTESLA p-I	8.5/64/77	Artix-7	-/907/812/3	115	111	235.88×
<b>This Work<sup>a</sup></b>		8.5/64/80	Virtex-7	169/554/306/0	232	3	-
HW [15]	qTESLA p-III	8.5/125/110	Artix-7	-/820/837/3	119	49	35.26×
<b>This Work<sup>a</sup></b>		8.5/128/112	Virtex-7	324/1049/566/0	162	3	-
HW [11]	LP	3.33/64/31	Virtex-6	43/112/19/0	297	5	0.16×
HW [10]		3.33/90/37	Virtex-5	17/43/33/1	259	3	0.36×
HW [8]		3.33/80/35	Virtex-6	231/863/6/0	61	1	1.06×
<b>This Work</b>	LP	3.33/64/33	Virtex-7	360/1278/306/0	218	2	-
		3.33/90/37		442/1418/306/0	198	2	
		3.33/80/35		425/1341/8/0	205	2	
		3.33/100/39		539/1960/446/0	173	2	
HW <sup>a</sup> [11]	BLISS	215/64/184	Spartan-6	179/577/64/0	130	8	1.67×
HW <sup>a</sup> [13]		215/128/184	Spartan-6	299/928/1121/0	129	8	2.85×
<b>This Work<sup>a</sup></b>		215/128/184	Virtex-7	305/1001/558/0	245	5	-
<b>This Work</b>	FrodoKEM-640	2.8/16/12	Virtex-7	71/203/106/0	292	1	-
	FrodoKEM-976	2.3/16/10		65/179/92/0	318	1	
	FrodoKEM-1344	1.4/15/6		41/109/80/0	351	3	
<b>This Work</b>	SEAL-128	3.19/128/41	Virtex-7	654/2347/581/0	152	2	-
	SEAL-192	3.19/192/51		993/3620/843/0	122	2	
	SEAL-256	3.19/256/60		845/4845/1103/0	102	2	
<b>This Work</b>	FALCON-I	2/53/18	Virtex-7	184/627/248/0	227	2	-
	FALCON-II	$\sqrt{5}/200/37$		626/2142/849/0	116	2	
HW [17]	-	4.41/112/55	Spartan-6	122/426/123/1	102	8	5.01×
HW [18]	-	4.41/112/55	Spartan-6	150/463/45/0	80	30	15.69×
<b>This Work<sup>a</sup></b>	-	4.41/112/55	Virtex-7	298/970/549/0	263	3	-

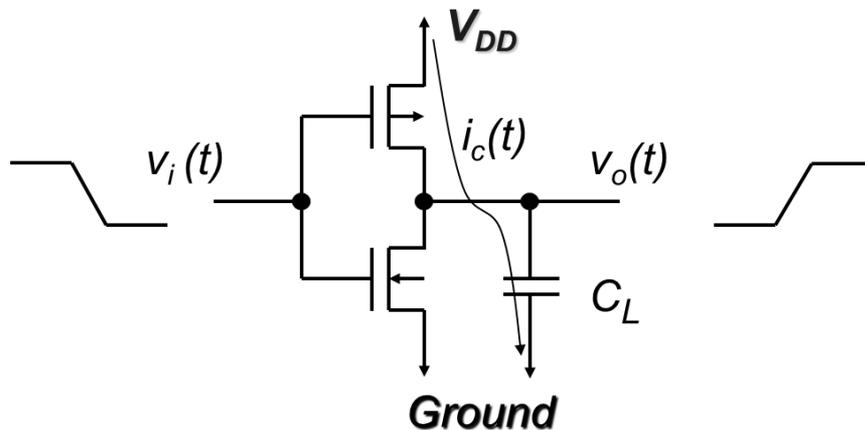
# Implementation Security

New applications (e.g. IoT) expose hardware to direct physical attacks / tampering: breaks crypto / key stolen



# Physical Side-Channel Analysis

**This talk:** Power and EM



$$P_{\text{cpu}} = P_{\text{dyn}} + P_{\text{stat}} = P_{\text{tran}} + P_{\text{sc}} + P_{\text{leak}}$$

$$P_{\text{tran}} = C_L V_{DD}^2 \cdot f \cdot P_{0 \rightarrow 1}$$

Fundamental property of CMOS:

- + More practical (low-cost) than optical leakage
- + More precise than thermal leakage

# Side-Channel Security

**Physical source:** power, EM, acoustic, photonic, thermal, ...

**Digital source:** time, micro-architectural state, memory patterns, ...

## Differential Power Analysis

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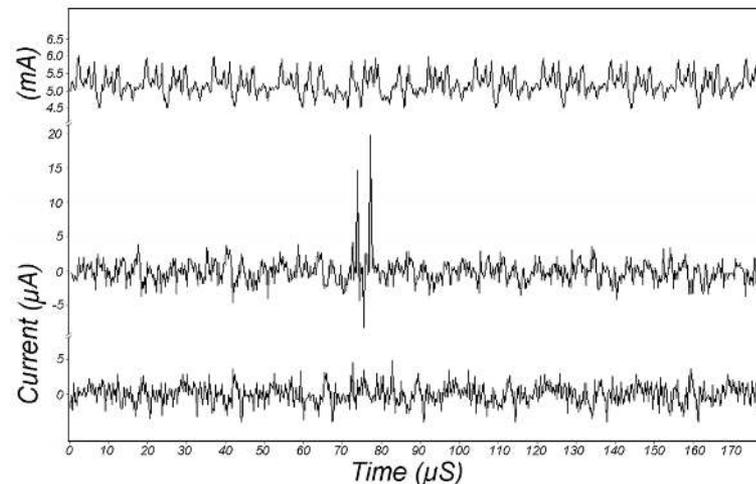
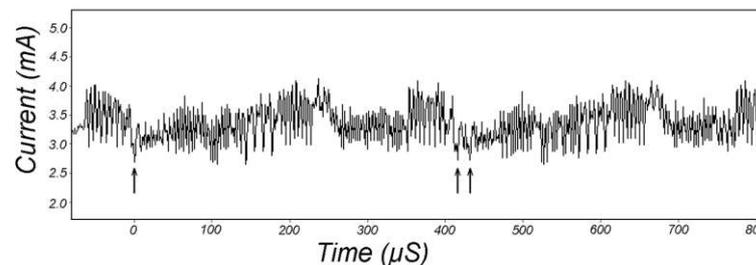
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**Abstract.** Cryptosystem designers frequently assume that secrets will be manipulated in closed, reliable computing environments. Unfortunately, actual computers and microchips leak information about the operations they process. This paper examines specific methods for analyzing power consumption measurements to find secret keys from tamper resistant devices. We also discuss approaches for building cryptosystems that can operate securely in existing hardware that leaks information.

**Keywords:** differential power analysis, DPA, SPA, cryptanalysis, DES

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\*Omitting TEMPEST for simplicity

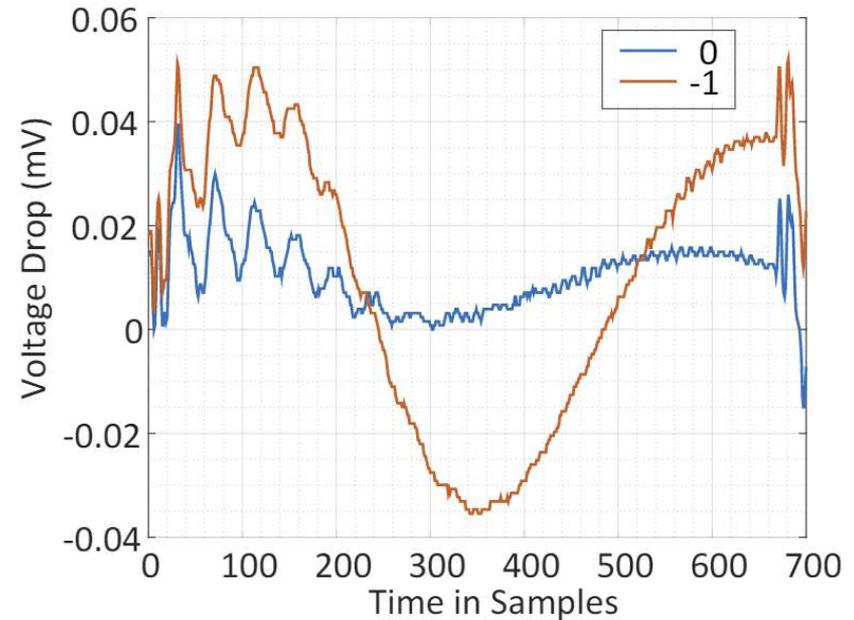
# FALCON's Side-Channel Vulnerability

Key generation sub-routine leaks secret key bit values

```
1 static inline uint32_t
2 mq_conv_small(int x)
3 {
4     uint32_t y;
5     y = (uint32_t)x;
6     y += Q & -(y >> 31);
7     return y;
8 }
```

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# NTRU and NTRU Prime Side-Channel Vulnerability

Listing 1. NTRU Sorting Reference Implementation

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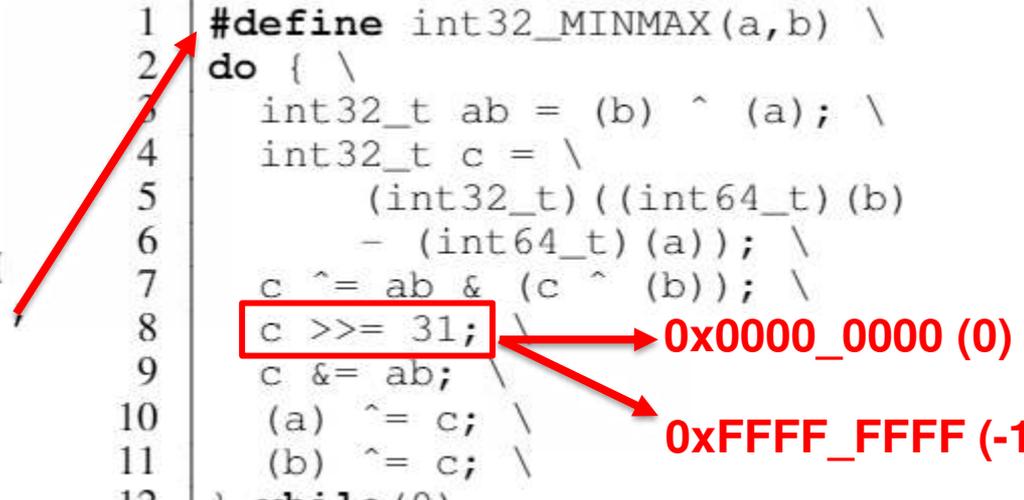
1 void crypto_sort_int32(
2     int32 *array, size_t n)
3 {
4     ...
5     for (p = top; p >= 1; p >>= 1) {
6         i = 0;
7         while (i + 2 * p <= n) {
8             for (j = i; j < i + p; ++j) {
9                 int32_MINMAX x[j], x[j+p]
10            }
11            i += 2 * p;
12        }
13        ...
14    }

```

```

1 #define int32_MINMAX(a,b) \
2 do { \
3     int32_t ab = (b) ^ (a); \
4     int32_t c = \
5         (int32_t)((int64_t)(b)
6         - (int64_t)(a)); \
7     c ^= ab & (c ^ (b)); \
8     c >>= 31; \
9     c &= ab; \
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12 } while(0)

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# SamplePerm Full Power Trace and Extraction

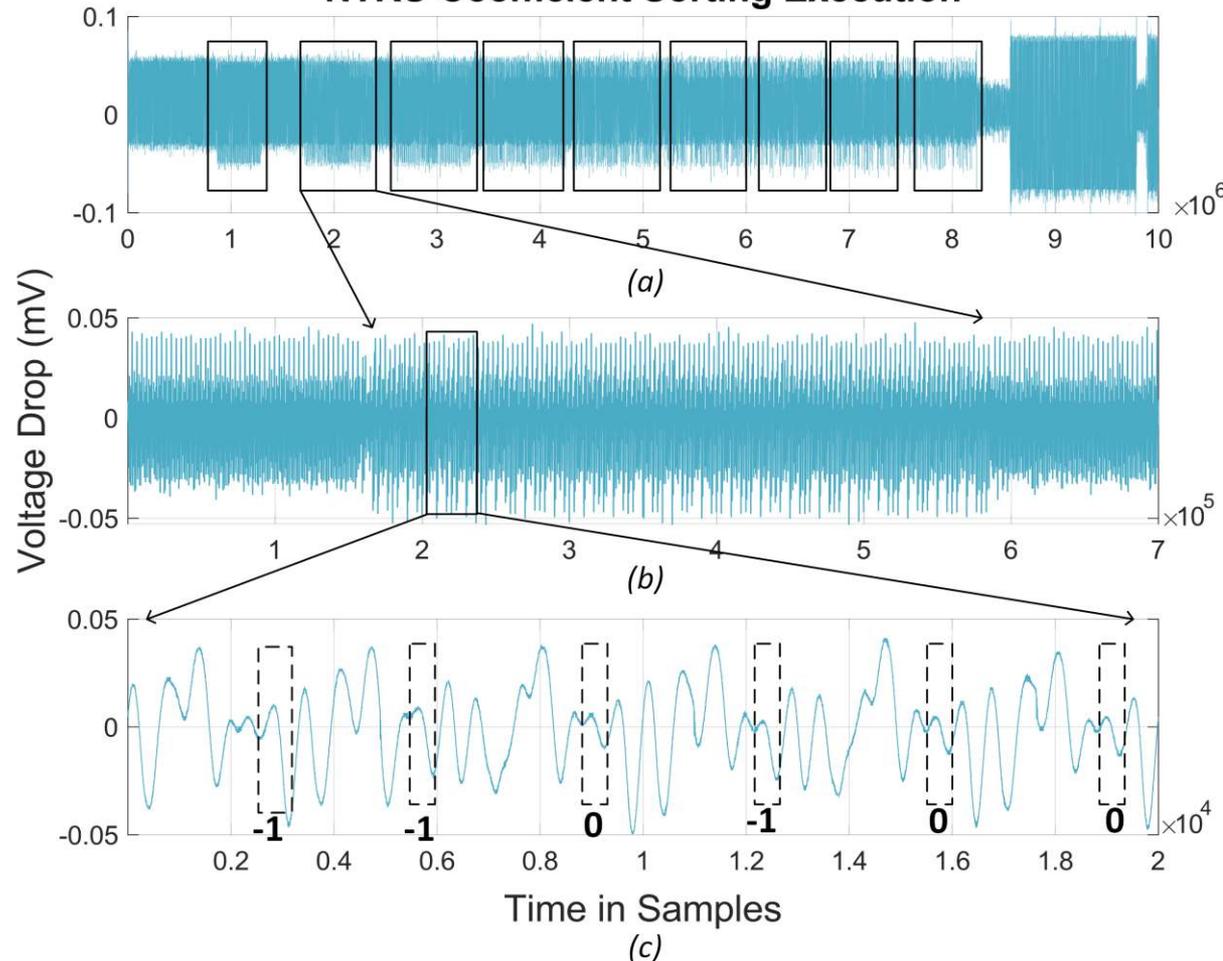
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→ **0x0000\_0000 (0)**  
→ **0xFFFF\_FFFF (-1)**

## NTRU Coefficient Sorting Execution



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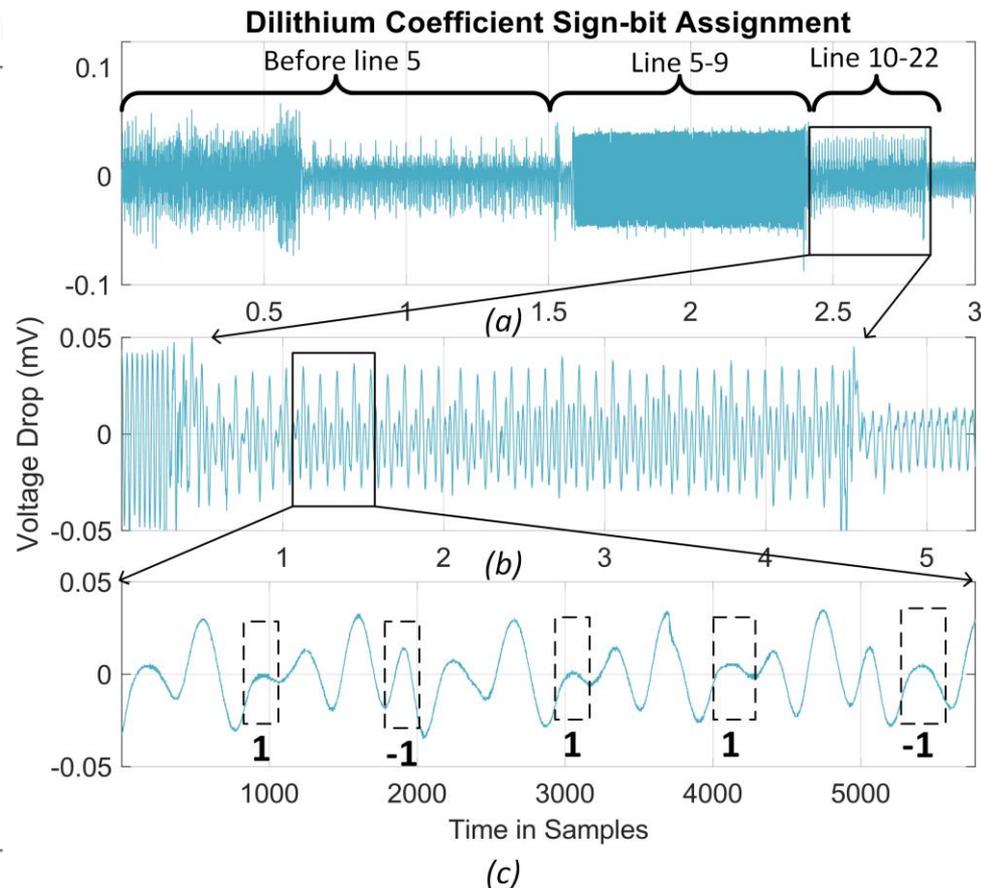
# Dilithium Sampling Leakage

Listing 3. Dilithium Polynomial Generation Reference Implementation

```

1 void poly_challenge(poly *c,
2                   const uint8_t seed[SEEDBYTES])
3 {
4     ...
5     for(i = 0; i < 8; ++i)
6         signs |= (uint64_t)buf[i] << 8*i;
7     pos = 8;
8     for(i = 0; i < N; ++i)
9         c->coeffs[i] = 0;
10    for(i = N-TAU; i < N; ++i) {
11        do {
12            if(pos >= SHAKE256_RATE) {
13                shake256_squeezeblocks(buf, 1,
14                                     &state);
15                pos = 0;
16            }
17            b = buf[pos++];
18        } while(b > i);
19        c->coeffs[i] = c->coeffs[b];
20        c->coeffs[b] = 1 - 2*(signs & 1);
21        signs >>= 1;
22    }
23 }

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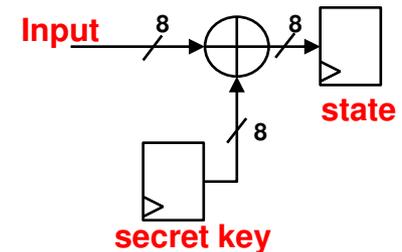


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# Requirements For A Differential Side-Channel Attack

An intermediate computation:

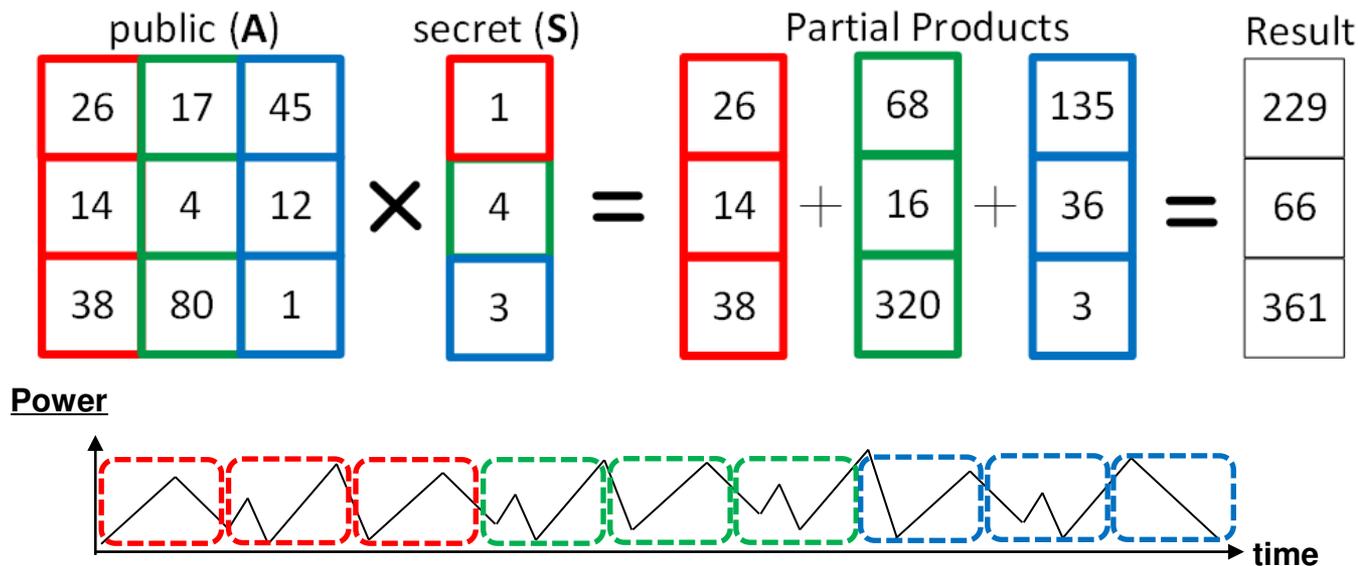
- 1) that combines a known value and a secret key and
- 2) the known value varies (*i.e.*, not fixed)



Input	Key Hypothesis				Power ( $\mu\text{W}$ )			
	Key=00 state	$P_m$	Key=01 state	$P_m$		Key=ff state	$P_m$	
$I_1=01$	01	1	00	0	-----	fe	7	
$I_2=0f$	0f	4	0e	3	-----	f0	4	
⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	-----	⋮	⋮	
$I_{10000}=f1$	f1	5	f0	4	-----	0e	3	

# Single-Trace Differential Attacks on FrodoKEM Matrix Multiplication

- ❑ Attacker limited to a single power measurement trace
- ❑ Matrix multiplication has “multiple” intermediate computations on the same secret
  - ❑ Up to 1344 distinct computations on the same secret (S) coefficient
  - ❑ Attack splits measurements into “sub-traces” for profiling and test



# Attacking the FALCON Signatures with Differential Power Analysis

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**Algorithm 2** FALCON Signature Generation Algorithm [5]

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**Input:** a message  $m$ , a secret key  $sk$ , a bound  $\beta^2$

**Output:** a signature  $sig$  of  $m$

```

1:  $r \leftarrow \{0, 1\}^{320}$  uniformly
2:  $c \leftarrow \text{HashToPoint}(r || m)$ 
3:  $t \leftarrow (\frac{-1}{q} \text{FFT}(c) \odot \text{FFT}(F), \frac{1}{q} \text{FFT}(c) \odot \text{FFT}(f))$ 
4: do                                ▷  $\odot$  represents FFT multiplication
5:   do
6:      $z \leftarrow \text{ffSampling}(t, T)$ 
7:      $s \leftarrow (t - z) \begin{bmatrix} \text{FFT}(g) & -\text{FFT}(f) \\ \text{FFT}(G) & -\text{FFT}(F) \end{bmatrix}$ 
8:     while  $s^2 > [\beta^2]$ 
9:      $(s_1, s_2) \leftarrow \text{invFFT}(s)$ 
10:     $s \leftarrow \text{Compress}(s_2, 8 \cdot \text{sbytelen} - 328)$ 
11: while  $s = \perp$ 
12: return  $sig = (r, s)$ 

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- NTRU equation:

$$fG - gF = q$$

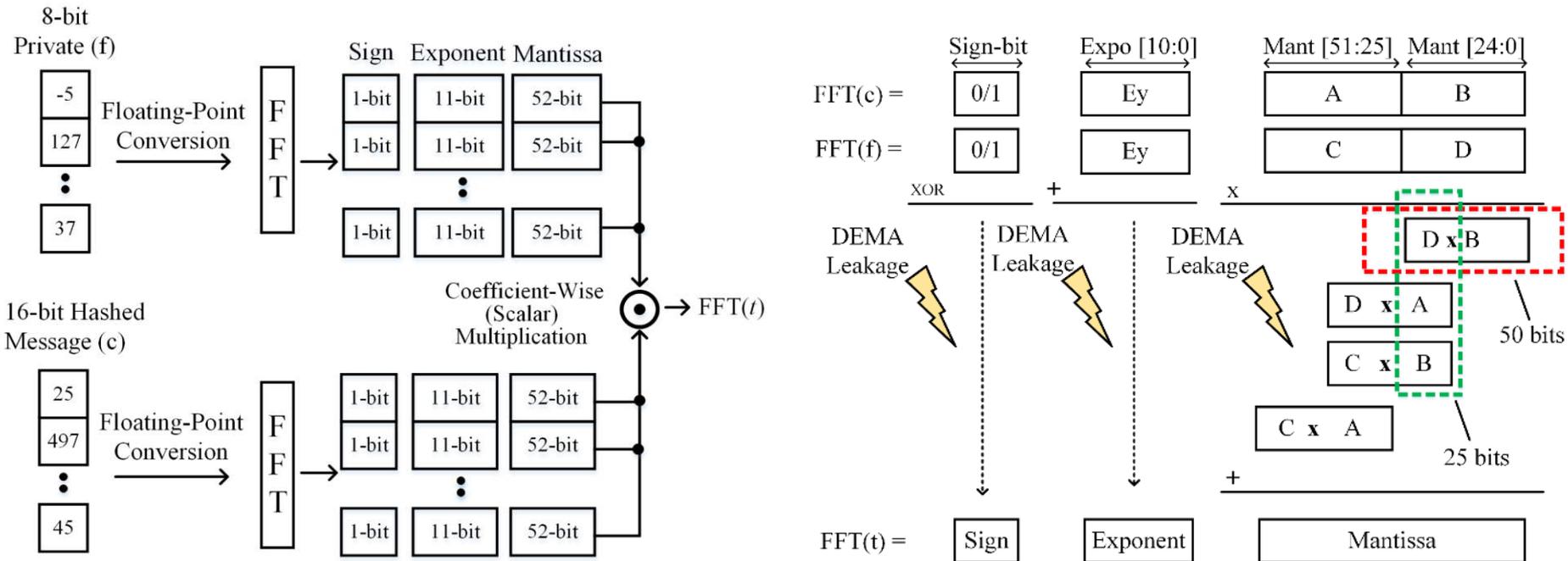
- Public Key:

$$h = gf^{-1}$$

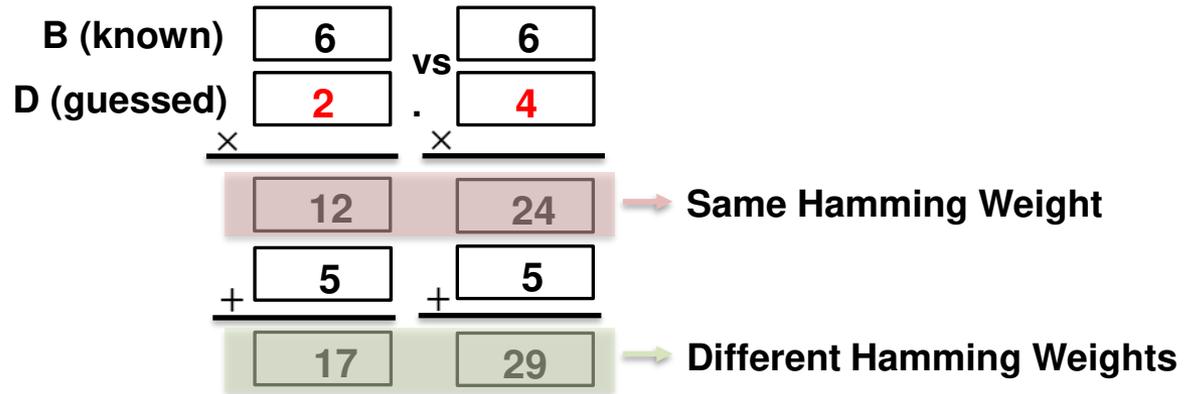
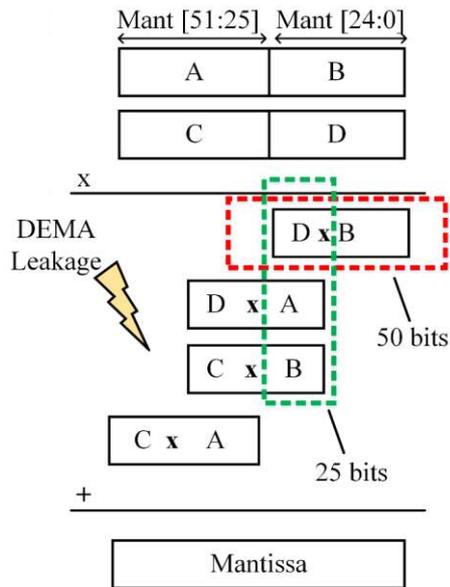
- If we know either polynomial ' $g$ ' or ' $f$ ', we can recover the other secret polynomial
- **Attack target:** Multiplication of known polynomial ' $c$ ' and secret polynomial ' $f$ '

# FALCON FFT and Multiplication

Secret coefficients of **f** can be recovered by targeting the FFT-domain multiplication



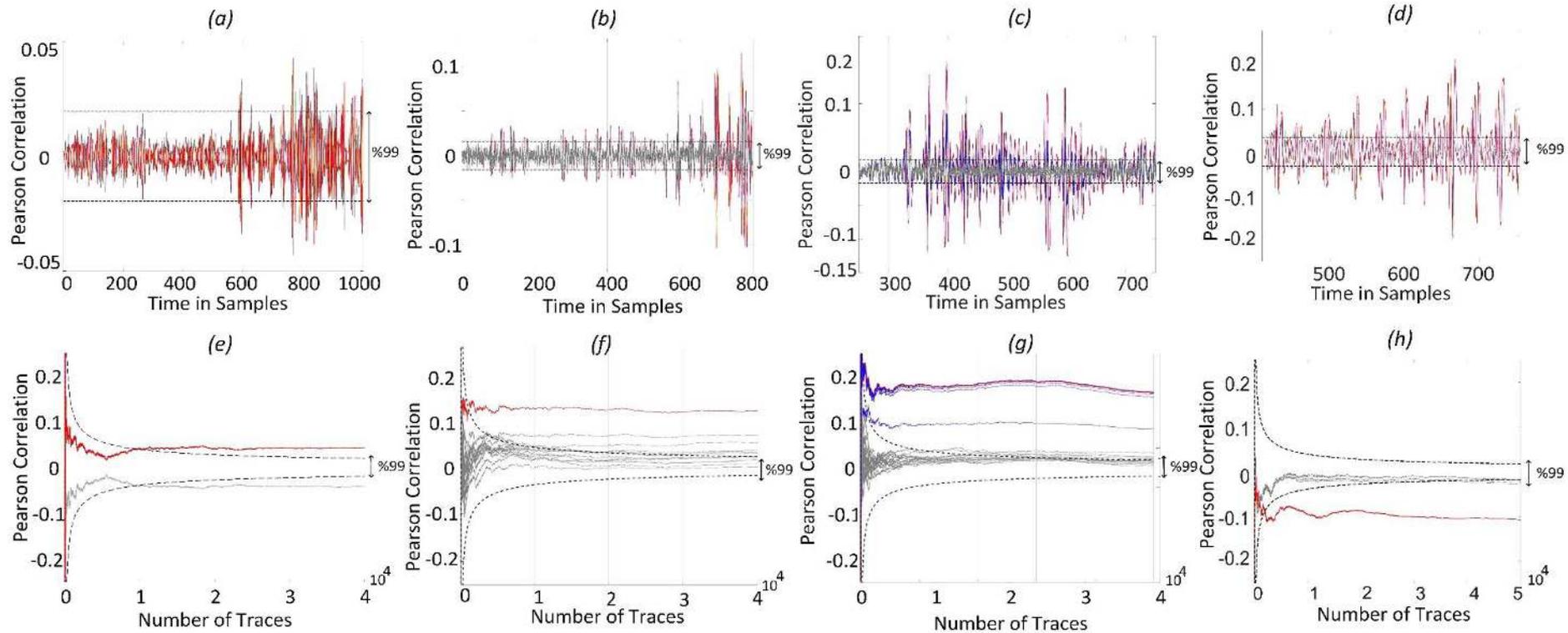
# Challenge of Attacking Multiplication



Additions remove false positives: apply extend-and-prune!

# Evaluation Results

1k measurements can extract sign, 100 traces can extract exponent and mantissa



*Attacking the Sign-bit*

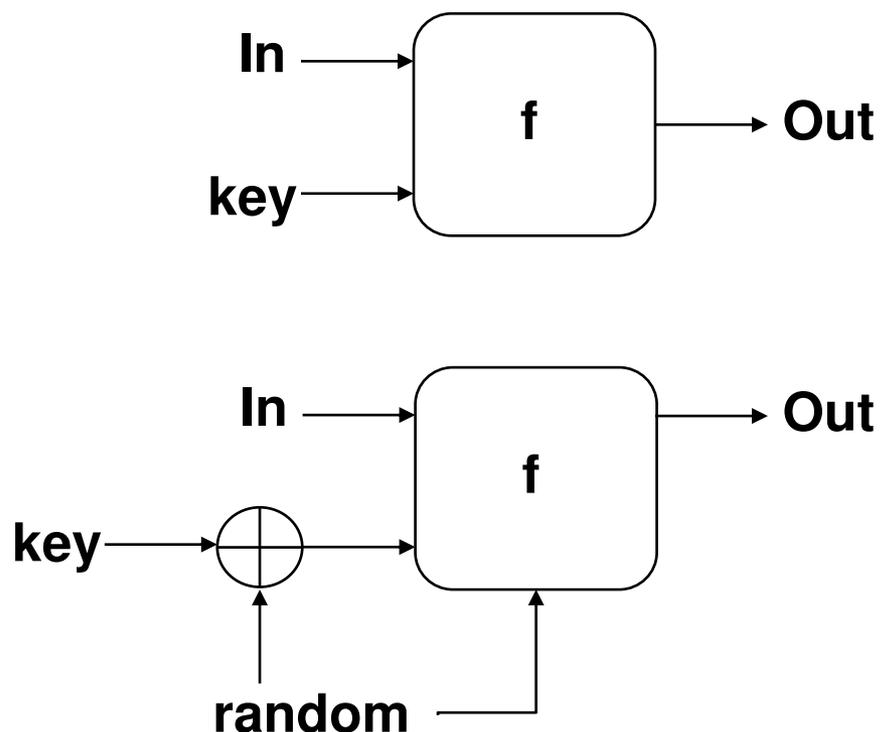
*Attacking the Exponent*

*Attacking the Mantissa Multiplication*

*Attacking the Mantissa Addition*

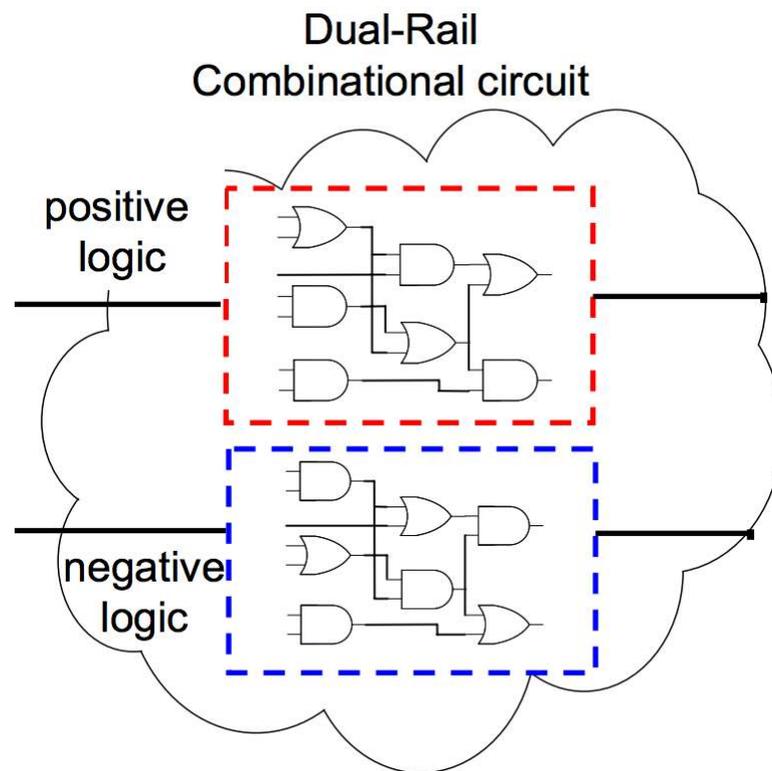
# Side-Channel Security

## Masking



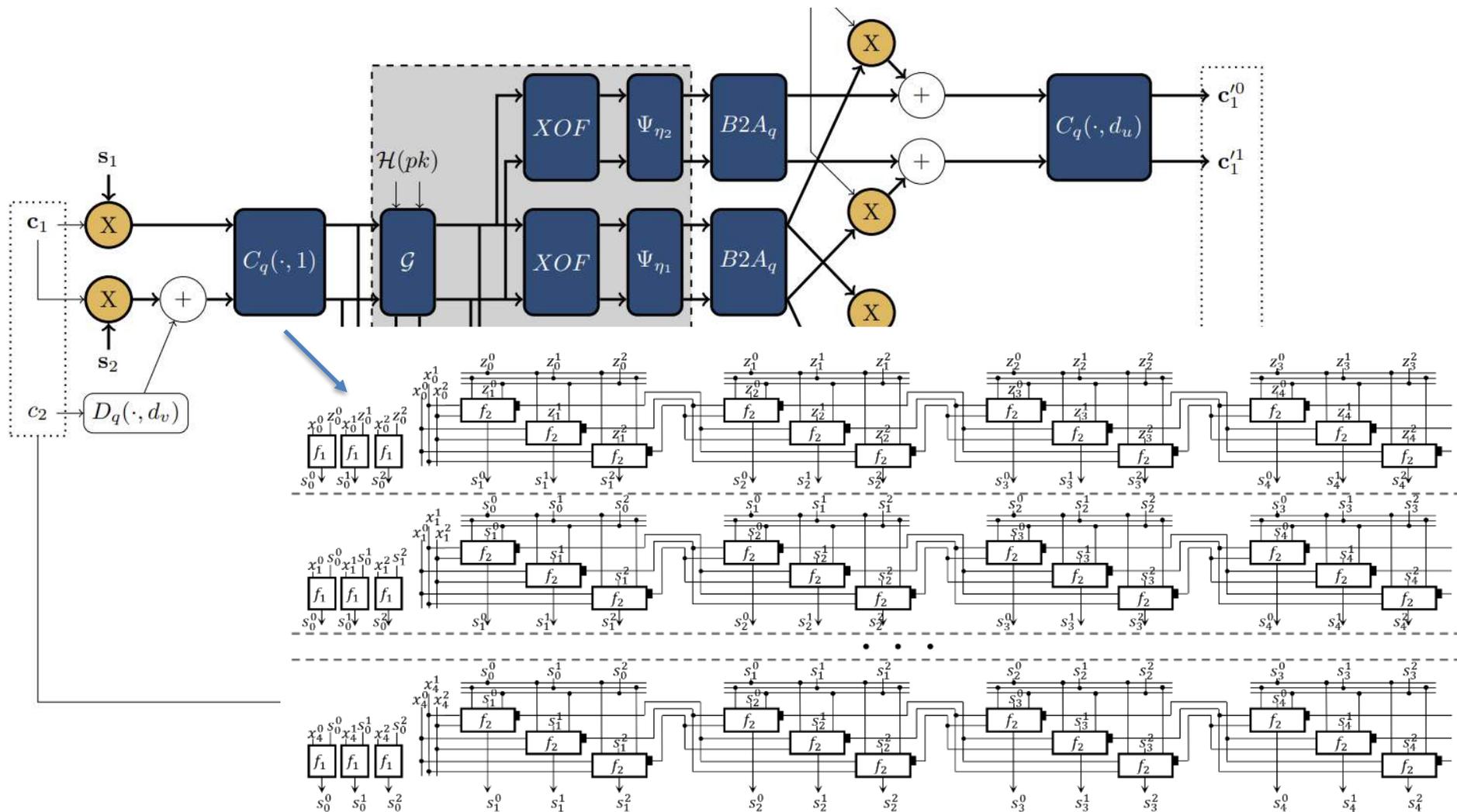
- Randomize “intermediate” computations
- + Provably secure
  - Needs tuning for each  $f$

## Hiding



- Design constant power circuits
- + Automation friendly
  - Patented\* and may leak

# Masking Cryptographic Hardware Is Hard!



# Three Takeaways

1. Quantum-secure cryptography is unavoidable
2. (Lattice-based) quantum-secure cryptography is fundamentally different
3. Need new hardware designs:
  - Optimize components
  - Design full system and explore trade-offs & design space
  - Support hybrid schemes
  - Add “implementation” security

# Questions

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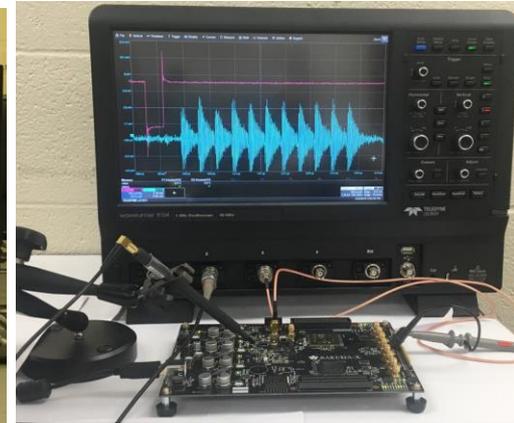
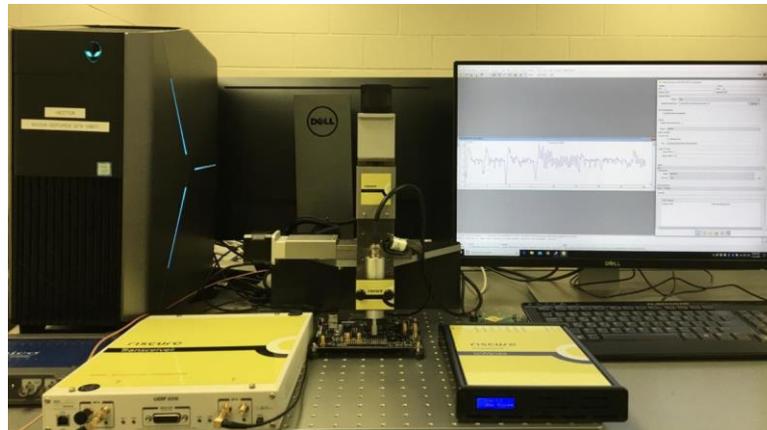
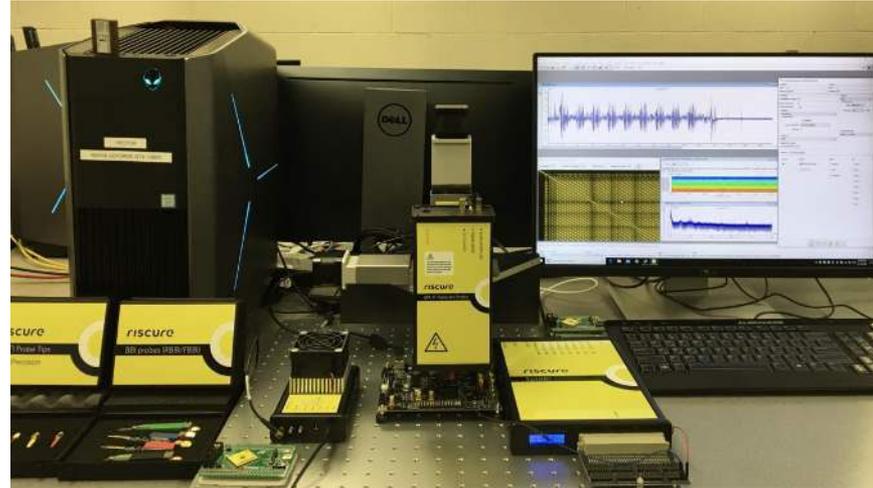
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# ChatGPT Answers

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When should we start using post-quantum cryptography?



It is recommended to start using post-quantum cryptography as soon as possible, even though the immediate threat of a quantum computer breaking current encryption methods is low. The reason for this is that it can take a long time to phase in a new cryptosystem and make sure it is secure and properly implemented. Additionally, as quantum computers continue to improve, the threat of them breaking current encryption methods will increase, so it is better to start preparing for this eventuality now.



It is important to note that post-quantum cryptography should not be used alone, but should be used in conjunction with currently used cryptographic methods. This will provide an extra layer of security, making it more difficult for an attacker to break the encryption even if they have access to a quantum computer.

It is also important to use post-quantum cryptography for sensitive information that needs to be protected for a long period of time, such as financial information, personal identification, and classified data.